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OF THE

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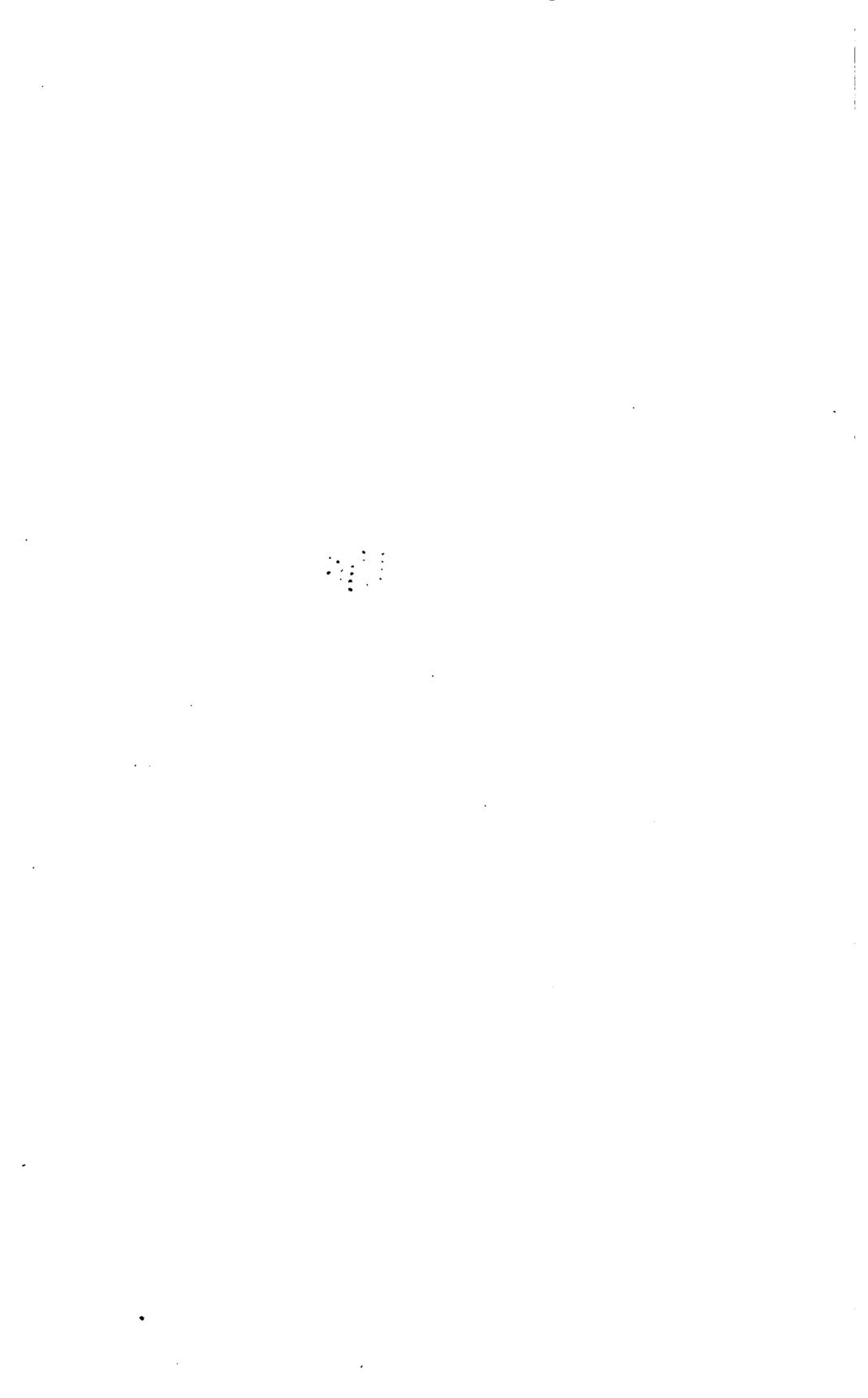
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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

AUGUSTA, MAINE, June 28, 1916.

To His Excellency, Oakley C. Curtis, Governor, and the Honorable Executive Council:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor of submitting to you the Eighteenth Report of the State Board of Health of Maine, it being the biennial report for the years 1914 and 1915.

Very respectfully,

A. G. YOUNG, M. D., Secretary.

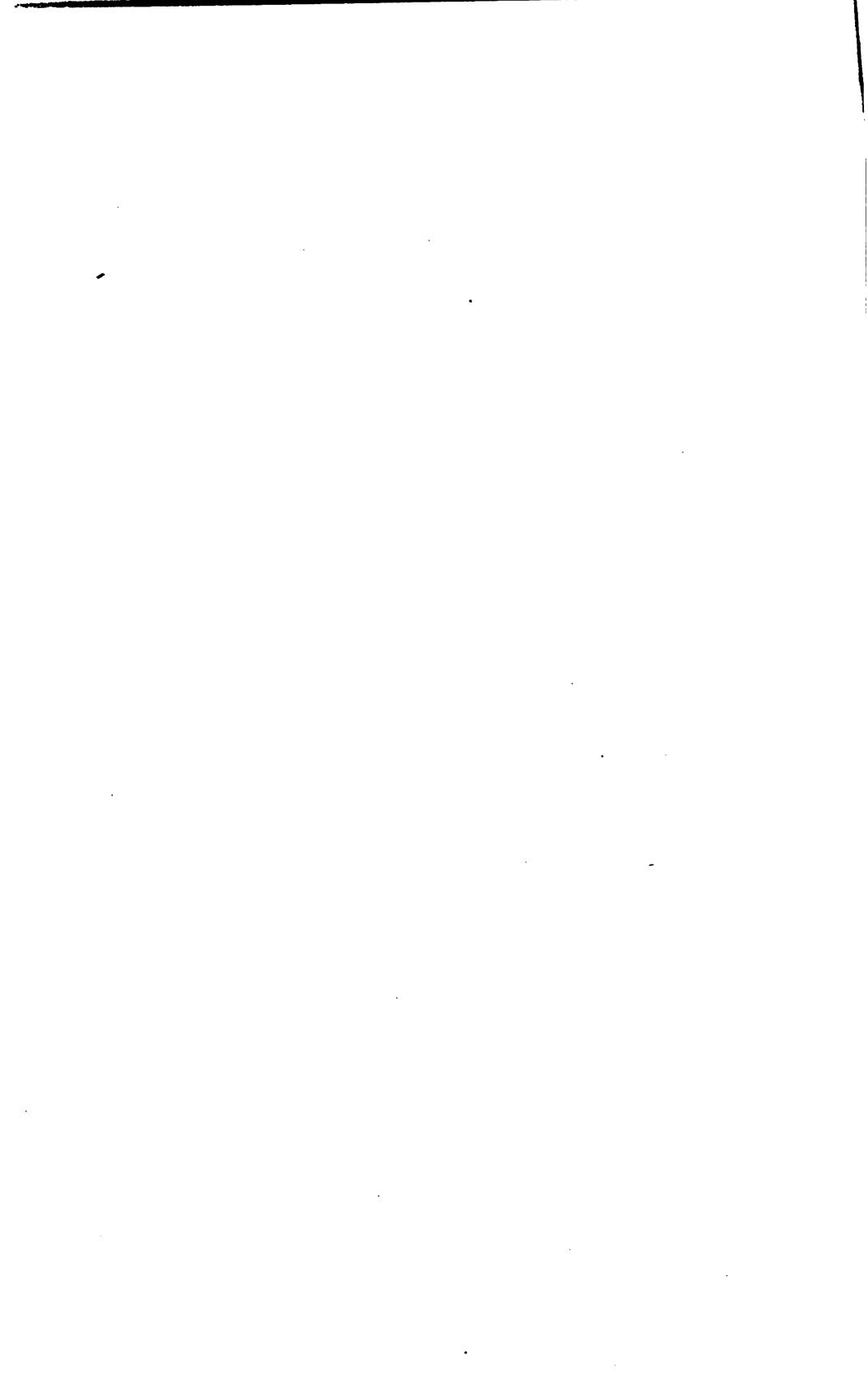
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### SECRETARY'S REPORT.

This report is for the biennial period 1914-15. At the close of this period the names and addresses of the members of the board were as follows:

G. M. Woodcock, M. D., Bangor.

R. H. Stubbs, M. D., Augusta.

Professor Marshall P. Cram, Brunswick.

W. L. Haskell, M. D., Lewiston.

Eugene W. Goss, Auburn.

Charles A. Creighton, Thomaston.

A. G. Young, M. D., Augusta.

At the end of the period for which this report is made there were the following standing committees:

On Finance: G. M. Woodcock, C. A. Creighton, and Richard H. Stubbs.

On Circulars and Other Publications: R. H. Stubbs, G. M. Woodcock, and A. G. Young.

On Sewerage and Drainage and the Disposal of Excreta: Eugene W. Goss, Marshall P. Cram, and Richard H. Stubbs.

On Ventilation: W. L. Haskell, Marshall P. Cram, and Eugene W. Goss.

On Summer Resorts: A. G. Young, G. M. Woodcock, and C. A. Creighton.

On Water and Water Supplies: Marshall P. Cram, W. L. Haskell, A. G. Young, and Eugene W. Goss.

On Schoolhouses and School Hygiene: A. G. Young, Marshall P. Cram, and Eugene W. Goss.

On Infectious Diseases and Methods for Their Control: W. L. Haskell, G. M. Woodcock, and A. G. Young.

On Legislation: A. G. Young, W. L. Haskell, and Richard H. Stubbs.

On Disinfection and Disinfectants: Marshall P. Cram, A. G. Young, and W. L. Haskell.

On the Production and the Use of Vaccine Lymph, Antitoxin and other Inoculation Material: Marshall P. Cram.

On Operation of Laboratory: A. G. Young, Marshall P. Cram, and G. M. Woodcock.

On Supply of Antitoxin to Local Boards of Health: A. G. Young, G. M. Woodcock, and W. L. Haskell.

The following extracts are made from the various meetings of the board:

At the annual meeting of the state board of health which was held Monday, March 30, 1914, Dr. C. D. Smith was reelected president for the ensuing year.

The Secretary made a verbal report to the board on the outbreaks of infectious diseases which had occurred since the last meeting. As regards smallpox he said that at the last reports there were, in Biddeford, six cases; in Buxton, four cases; in Dayton, three; in Hollis, one; Portland, four; Saco, a few; Westbrook, seven; Yarmouthville, eight; and Seven Islands, on the head waters of the St. John, one.

The Secretary reported to the board that the rules and regulations relating to common drinking cups and common towels, which were adopted by the board at its meeting on February 26, have been approved by the Governor and Council. The Secretary was requested to give as wide a notice as practicable to persons who are especially interested in the requirements of those rules and regulations.

The Secretary, at his request, was instructed to prepare a paper for the purpose of instructing local boards of health in the management of the various infectious diseases, and to submit it at the next meeting of the board for approval.

A discussion of the proposition for an effort to change the law so as to provide for the furnishing of the diphtheria antitoxin at the expense of the state to all persons who need it, irrespective of their financial condition, was tabled indefinitely. The opinion of the board was, that it is better to let the existing law relating to the supply of diphtheria antitoxin remain unchanged.

The Secretary was authorized to attend, as the representative of the board, the two conferences which will be held in Washington in June, namely: the conference between the SurgeonGeneral of the Public Health Service and representatives of the state boards of health, and the conference of state and provincial boards of health.

Professor Evans was authorized by the board to attend the conference which will be held April 7, between the American Chemical Society, the Laboratory Section of the American Public Health Association, and the Sanitary Section of the American Chemical Society on standard methods of water and sewage examination.

The director of the laboratory was requested to make investigations for the purpose of testing the comparative efficiencies of various disinfectants, particularly a few of those which, according to the findings of the workers in the Hygienic Laboratory at Washington, have the highest carbolic acid coefficients; this work to be done by him when he finds it practicable to do it.

At the second quarterly meeting of the board the secretary, who had represented the board at the conference of the Surgeon-General with representatives of state and territorial boards of health which was held in Washington, June 18, presented to the board the following resolution which had been adopted at that conference:

"That it is the sense of the delegates assembled at this conference of the Surgeon-General with the representatives of the state and territorial health authorities that the notification and control of communicable diseases would be materially facilitated if the Surgeon-General would designate one officer of the state or territorial board of health in each state or territory as a collaborating epidemiologist."

The Secretary reported to the board his action in connection with the notification which he had received from the Director of the Census in Washington, that a person from outside of the office force had been appointed to make the transcripts of the records of deaths to be sent to Washington from the office of the state registrar. He also reported the action which had been taken at the conference of state and provincial boards of health in relation to this matter.

In view of the fact that many diseases which in other states are reportable to the local boards of health, are not upon the

list of those which are reportable in the State of Maine, the secretary presented to the board a draft for rules and regulations covering this matter which he had prepared for the consideration of the board. After due discussion and with some slight amendments, they were adopted in the following form, the secretary being instructed to submit them to the Governor and Council for approval:

"Under authority conferred by Section 8, Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Section 2 of Chapter 48 of the Laws of 1909, and as further amended by Chapter 149 of the Laws of 1913, the following rules and regulations are hereby made by the state board of health, to be in effect on and after August 1, 1914.

"Section I. For the purpose of guarding against the introduction of infectious and contagious diseases into the state, and for the control and suppression thereof if within the state, the state board of health includes the following diseases within the list of those which shall be reported, namely: Diphtheria and membranous croup, Scarlet Fever, Typhoid Fever, Typhus Fever, Smallpox, Measles, Whooping Cough, Chickenpox, Cerebrospinal Meningitis, Poliomyelitis, Cholera, Pellagra, Plague, Glanders, Rabies or hydrophobia, Leprosy, Ophthalmia Neonatorum and Purulent Inflammation of the Eyes, and Trachoma.

"Section 2. Whenever any householder knows or has reason to believe that any person within his family or household has any of the diseases mentioned in Section 1, he shall, within twenty-four hours, give notice thereof to the secretary of the local board of health of the town in which he resides, and such notice shall be given either at the office of the secretary, or by a communication addressed to him and duly mailed to him within the time specified above.

"Section 3. Whenever any physician knows or has reason to believe that any person whom he is called upon to visit is infected with any of the diseases mentioned in Section 1, such physician shall, within twenty-four hours give notice thereof to the secretary of the local board of health of the town in which such person lives.

"Section 4. The secretary or the executive officer of each local board of health shall report promptly to the state board of health, upon blanks furnished by the state board of health for that purpose, and at such times and in such manner as is provided by those blanks, all cases and outbreaks of the infectious and contagious diseases which are enumerated in Section I of these rules and regulations."

The Secretary read a telegram which he had received from Surgeon-General Blue of the Public Health Service at Washington on the evening of June 29, which read as follows:

"Dr. A. G. Young, Sec'y. State Board of Health, Augusta, Maine. Two human cases suspicious Bubonic Plague reported from New Orleans by Louisiana Health Authorities, immediate steps being taken by this service to make bacteriological confirmation in view possibility of its spread it is recommended that you begin a rodent survey with bacteriological examination captured rats and exterminative measures at all ports your state in order to discover plague if it exists and to take proper measures for its eradication prior to appearance of human cases. If the New Orleans cases are confirmed service will take measures necessary to safeguard other places.

(Signed) BLUE. 5 P. M."

The secretary also presented a telegram which had just been received by him from the Surgeon-General's office, and which read as follows: "Surgeon-General Blue arrived New Orleans this morning as soon as diagnosis confirmed will inform you. (Signed) GLENNAN.

Acting."

The local board of health of Portland which was present at this meeting by invitation of the state board, entered with the state board into a discussion of the question of the danger from plague in Portland and the other ports in the state of Maine. The local board of health, at the request of the state board, will secure information as early as possible in regard to the number of ships which have entered the port of Portland, and which have cleared from New Orleans, Mobile, or other southern ports, within the last eighteen months, and the secretary was instructed to secure as accurate information as

is possible of the number of ships which have entered other ports upon the coast of Maine from southern ports within the last year and a half or two years.

The consideration of what further steps should be taken by the board was left for future action and until further informamation has been received from the federal public health service. No further business coming before the meeting, it was voted to adjourn. Adjourned.

The third quarterly meeting of the board for 1914 was held October 6. In the absence of a president, due to the resignation of Dr. C. D. Smith, Dr. G. M. Woodcock was elected president to fill the vacancy in the organization of the board, his term of office to extend to March 29, 1915, or to such other date as the annual meeting of the board for that year may be held. His presidency to be invalid in case the resignation of Dr. Smith is not accepted.

The secretary made a verbal report on the epidemic work which he had done since the last meeting. He reported to the effect that there had been no outbreaks of smallpox within that date, but that he had been called to several places on account of the appearance or the prevalence of some other diseases, namely: August 7 he was in Belfast in conference with the local board of health of that city in relation to an outbreak of typhoid fever there; September 2, 3, 5, 15, and 19 he spent in work in the investigation of an outbreak of typhoid fever at York Harbor, and in conference with the citizens and the local authorities in regard to eradicative measures and for the guarding of the town against future outbreaks of the same disease.

September 11, he and Dr. Smith were in conference with the local board of health of Portland in regard to a serious outbreak of typhoid fever in that city.

September 16, at the request of the secretary of the local board of health of Wiscasset, he visited two families in that town, in which cases of infantile paralysis were supposed to be present. The next day he went to Etna for the purpose of advising the local board of health of that town as to what course should be taken in a school and neighborhood where whooping cough had made its appearance.

On the 22nd of the same month he went to Ogunquit at the request of the local board of health of that place to advise them in regard to measures for the mitigation or abatement of some nuisances which have troubled the local board.

September 29 and the afternoon of September 30 were spent in an investigation of the conditions which are at fault in the village of Smyrna Mills and which have given rise to the continued prevalence of typhoid fever in and around that village.

The secretary called the attention of the board to the following resolution which was passed at the conference of the State and Provincial Boards of Health at their meeting of this year.

Resolved: That each of the provinces and states holding membership in the conference be requested to make a sanitary survey of at least one county, or district before the next annual meeting of the conference.

It was the sentiment of the board that it would be impossible for the board to make such sanitary survey, and that in the opinion of the board the money which it would cost to make such sanitary survey could be spent with much greater benefit to the state in extending as far as possible the various kinds of educative work in which the board is now engaged.

The secretary presented to the board a letter which had been received from Dr. Dickison, secretary of the local board of health of Houlton, relating to the by-laws of that board covering the subject of the inspection of meat and the application of the tuberculin test to cows, the milk from which is to be sold in Houlton, and the decision of the law court, sustaining the verdict of the Supreme Court and the Municipal Court.

The secretary reported verbally to the board in regard to the educative work which has been going on under his direction, the work of Mrs. Ellis in giving illustrated talks of the Health of Rural Homes before the granges, the work which the Rev. Mr. MacDonald has been doing along the coast through his talks on Tuberculosis illustrated with lantern slides; and the work which was done at the State Fairs at Waterville and Lewiston.

After receiving a report from the secretary on the workings of the rules and regulations of the board relating to common drinking cups and common towels, the secretary was instructed

whenever he learned of an instance of noncompliance with the requirements of the rules and regulations to send a copy of the rules and regulations to the person, firm or institution guilty of the offence, the rules and regulations to be accompanied by a letter of warning.

At the fourth quarterly meeting of the board for the year 1914, the secretary reported to the board what he had done or attempted to do in connection with the outbreak of typhoid fever which occurred in Portland. Cooperating with the local board of health, Dr. Harold V. Bickmore as agent of the board, had been sent to Portland, for the purpose of getting the histories of each individual case and making a record of the cases upon the standard blanks which are used by the board in investigating outbreaks of typhoid fever. After the occurrence of a very few cases of typhoid fever in the city in each of the first seven months of the year, there was a sharp outbreak in the latter part of August which continued through the month of September with a rapid decline in the number of cases in The character of the outbreak, particularly the October. abruptness with which it occurred, was suggestive, through that fact alone, of a milk-borne outbreak.

The secretary reported the results of the investigations which have been made for the board by Dr. Bickmore into the source of the infection of the Portland typhoid epidemic. The results coincide with the conclusions which have been reached by the local board of health of Portland, that the infection was milk-borne and that the majority of cases of typhoid fever appeared to be referable to the milk of one particular dealer while quite a large number of the patients had been using the milk from another dealer.

An inquiry directed to the health officers of other towns and cities which also received as its public supply the water of the Portland water district, showed that there had been no annual prevalence of typhoid fever in those other places.

In the first place the inspection of dairies and the control of milk supplies is in the hands of the state department of agriculture. The state board of health is not only unable to do anything with authority in this particular line, but it is lacking a field-man or inspector who may promptly be sent to investigate the sources of danger, in this or other lines of work.

In the second place, until Section 5 of Chapter 140 of the laws of 1913 went into effect, the commissioner of agriculture and the state board of health were engaged in a cooperative work on milk in that the samples of milk taken by the inspectors of the department of agriculture were examined chemically and bacteriologically in the state laboratory under the supervision of the state board of health. From the central office in Augusta the inspector went out, and to the laboratory, the same central point, the samples of milk which were collected came back for examination. The results of the examinations were quickly available to both departments and there was a chance for prompt personal conference between the workers of the two departments. Now, however, the commissioner of agriculture is forced to have all his "commodities" sent to Orono for examination.

The board gave some time to the consideration of this matter and the members were of the opinion that it is very necessary to have some new legislation which will enable the state board of health, and perhaps the local boards of health to take more prompt and efficient action to prevent danger of milk-borne infection and to do work which may quickly check outbreaks of typhoid fever when they do occur. The further consideration of this matter and the drawing up of a legislative bill was left with the committee of the board on legislation.

Some time was spent in the discussion of the supervision of our summer resorts and the inspection of hotels. The provisional draft of a bill relating to the inspection of hotels was presented by the secretary. It was referred to the committee on legislation.

The absolute necessity of having a building erected and properly equipped for the work of the state laboratory of hygiene was recognized by the board and the matter of the preparation and introduction to the legislature of the resolve providing for a laboratory building, this and an increase in the appropriation for carrying on the laboratory work was referred to the committee on legislation.

A letter from the office of the Surgeon-General of the Public Health Service relating to the model law, a law providing for the reporting of infectious and some other diseases was con-

sidered by the board. Whether this model law shall be presented to the legislature was also referred to the committee on legislation.

The letter which had been received from the committee for the prevention of blindness of the state of New York, called the attention of the board to the recent amendment of the sanitary code of the New York city department of health relating to wood alcohol. Whether this shall be presented to the legislature as a substitute for our present law covering the same subject was referred to the committee on legislation.

The following resolutions relating to the retirement of Dr. Chas. D. Smith from the board were presented by Prof. Cram, chairman of the committee appointed at the last meeting, were unanimously adopted and the secretary was instructed to enter the resolution upon the records of the board and to send a copy to Dr. Smith.

"Resolved, that it was with sincere regret that the state board of health learned that, on account of the burden of his many duties, Dr. Charles D. Smith was obliged to retire as a member of the board.

"The years which he spent in local public health service and in practical laboratory work before his appointment as a member of the board fitted him exceptionally well for the position. During the twenty-four years for which Dr. Smith has been a member of the board and in the twenty-one years for which he has served as president, he has had the respect and affection of his associates for the fairness and impartiality with which he has presided over our meetings, for the sagacity and wisdom with which he has shaped our policy, and for the zeal and diligence with which he has worked for the interests with which the board is entrusted.

"We believe that his resignation is a distinct loss to the public health interests of the state, which he has served so faithfully and well. We regret personally that he is no longer to serve with us as a member of the board, and sincerely hope that what is a loss to the public and to his associates may, by releasing him from extra labor, prove a gain to him."

At the first quarterly meeting of the board for 1915, held April 15, the secretary was authorized to spend in the educative work, by means of exhibits, lectures, and illustrated talks and demonstrations, a sum not to exceed \$800 from the appropriation of the board for the current year.

Some time was spent in the discussion of the laboratory work for the year 1915. It was voted that the director of the laboratory be instructed to do no more work in the examination of samples of milk for the state commissioner of agriculture, this for the reason that the time and facilities are lacking for doing that work and that it would interfere with some work in other lines which it is desirable shall be done.

The question of the preparation and free distribution of antityphoid vaccine, and some other questions which were discussed were laid on the table until the next meeting of the board.

At the second quarterly meeting for 1915, held July 13, the first matter taken up was the consideration of what the board should do to prevent the importation of rabies into the State of Maine. The secretary presented a draft which he had prepared of "Rules and Regulations of the State Board of Health made for the purpose of excluding Rabies or Hydrophobia from this State." After considerable discussion the following was passed as an amendment of the draft which had been presented by the secretary:

#### Rules and Regulations

of the State Board of Health made for the purpose of excluding rabies or hydrophobia from the State of Maine.

"Under the authority conferred by Section 8 of Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes as amended, the State board of health hereby makes the following rules and regulations which shall remain in effect until altered, modified, or revoked by vote of said board.

"Section I. Any person bringing into this state a dog which, within six months has been in the state of Massachusetts or other state where rabies is prevalent, shall within two days of the arrival of the dog in this state, notify the secretary of the state board of health of the place from which the dog has come, and the dog's destination in this state.

"Section 2. Any person owning, having an intereest in, or having the care, charge, control, or possession of any dog which has been brought or has come from the state of Massachusetts within six months, or from other states where rabies is prevalent, shall for six months after its arrival in this state keep the animal muzzled so that it shall be impossible for it to bite any person or animal, and, muzzled or not muzzled, shall not let such dog run at large in or upon any public street, alley, or other public place, or in or upon any unenclosed lot or premises."

Some time was spent in the consideration of what further action it might be necessary for the board to take if, possible, rabies should develop in the state.

Dr. A. G. Young, Secretary, was authorized by vote of the board to attend the meeting of the American Public Health Association as the representative of the board. The meeting will be held at Rochester, N. Y., in the month of September.

The secretary was also authorized to visit such other health departments outside of the State of Maine as he may think necessary and desirable for the purpose of inspecting the methods which are in use in those other health departments in carrying on the work of their respective offices.

It was voted that the secretary be and is hereby authorized to employ from time to time such additional help as he may find may be needed to enable the office force to do their work promptly and efficiently; and to employ from time to time additional help to enable him effectively to carry on the educative work of the board covering the various lines of lectures, illustrated talks, exhibits, and demonstrations.

Some time was spent in the consideration of rules and regulations relating to the transportation of dead bodies. Finally, by vote of the board, the following were made and adopted and the secretary was instructed to present them to the Governor and Council for approval:

#### RULES AND REGULATIONS

of the State Board of Health of Maine relating to the transportation of the dead.

"Under the authority conferred by Section 8 of Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes as amended, the state board of health hereby makes the following rules and regulations which shall remain in effect until altered, modified, or revoked by vote of said board.

"Rule I. A copy of the original death certificate, signed by the attending physician, a permit from the town or city clerk or local registrar, and a transit label signed by the shipping funeral director and the initial baggage agent, printed on strong paper, supplied by the state board of health, shall be required for the transportation by common carrier of the bodies of persons who have died in this state. The death certificate shall contain such information, if obtainable, as is required in the form of death certificate which is furnished by the department of vital statistics.

"The permit of the town or city clerk shall authorize the transportation of the body of the person described in the physician's certificate. The shipping funeral director shall state on the shipping label how the body is prepared and the local baggage agent shall state thereon the route and the name and address of the escort.

"The physician's permit and that of the town or city clerk shall be given to the escort to be delivered with the body at destination. The shipping label shall be securely attached to the outside case. If the body is sent by express, the physician's certificate and the permit shall be attached to the express way-bill, and shall be delivered with the body at the destination, and the shipping label shall be attached to the outside case.

"If burial is made in this state the sexton, undertaker, or other person who has charge of the burial shall, after he has presented the conjoined certificate and permit to the town or city clerk for a burial permit, forward them to the secretary of the state board of health within ten days after he has received them.

"Rule 2. The transportation of bodies dead of smallpox, plague, Asiatic cholera, yellow fever, typhus fever, diphtheria (membranous croup or diphtheritic sore throat), scarlet fever (scarlet rash or scarlatina), erysipelas, and anthrax shall be permitted only under the following conditions: the body shall be thoroughly embalmed with an approved disinfectant fluid, all orifices shall be closed with absorbent cotton, the body shall be washed with the disinfectant fluid, enveloped in a sheet saturated with the same, and placed at once in the coffin or casket, which shall be immediately closed, and the coffin or casket, or the outside case containing the same, shall be metal or metal lined, and hermetically and permanently sealed.

- "Rule 3. The transportation of bodies dead of any diseases other than those mentioned in Rule two, shall be permitted under the following conditions.
- "a. When the destination can be reached within twenty-four hours after death, the coffin or casket shall be enclosed in a strong outside box made of good, sound lumber, not less than seven-eighths of an inch thick, all joints must be tongued and grooved, top and bottom, put on with cleats or cross pieces, all put securely together, and be tightly closed with white lead, asphalt varnish or paraffin paint, and a rubber gasket placed on the upper edge between the lid and box; provided, however, that caskets containing embalmed bodies may be shipped to points in this state in tight ordinary casket boxes; and provided further that bodies addressed to the anatomical board of this state may be received for shipment when prepared in such manner as the state board of health may direct.
- "b. When the destination cannot be reached within twenty-four hours after death, the body shall be thoroughly embalmed, and the coffin or casket placed in a strong well-made outside shipping case.
- "Rule 4. No disinterred body, dead from any disease or cause, shall be transported by common carrier unless approved by the local board of health having jurisdiction at the place of disinterment, and a transit permit and transit label shall be required as provided in Rule 1. The disinterment and transportation of bodies dead of diseases mentioned in Rule 2 shall not be allowed except upon special permission of the health authorities at both the place of disinterment and the point of destination. All disinterred remains for transportation shall be encased in metal caskets or metal lined boxes, and hermetically sealed: Provided that bodies in a receiving vault when prepared by licensed embalmers, shall not be regarded as disinterred bodies until after the expiration of thirty days.
- "Rule 5. The outside case may be omitted in all instances when the body is transported in a hearse or a funeral director's wagon.
- "Rule 6. Every outside case shall have at least four handles, and when over five feet six inches in length shall have six handles.

"Rule 7. An approved disinfectant fluid shall contain not less than five per cent. of formaldehyde gas. The term 'embalming,' as employed in these rules, shall require the injection by a licensed embalmer, of not less than ten per cent. of the body weight for bodies of persons dead of diseases under Rule 2, injected arterially in addition to cavity injections; and not less than six per cent. of the body weight injected arterially in all other cases in addition to cavity injection, and ten hours shall elapse between the time of embalming and the shipment of the body.

"Rule 8. The attached form of death certificate, town or city clerk permit, and label as described herein, with these rules printed thereon, shall be used in this state for the shipment of bodies as herein provided."

At the third quarterly meeting held September 29, 1915, several letters were read, two to the Bureau of the Census, one in answer to a letter from Dr. Fulton of Baltimore, Maryland, and one from one of our own towns, all of which were explanatory of the reason why the secretary, for the want of sufficient help in the office, had been unable to do certain kinds of work which should have been done or should have been done more promptly.

The question of the inspection another season of the various camps which have been established in this state for the recreation and training of boys and girls was taken up and briefly discussed. As it would be a serious matter if an outbreak of typhoid fever or any other infectious disease should appear in any of these camps as a result of faulty or inadequate sanitary arrangements, it was the opinion of the board that it is very desirable that work of this kind be done.

It was voted that the secretary be authorized to employ a competent person to make a field investigation of the public water supplies of the state. The secretary is further instructed to submit this vote to the Governor and Council and to request their approval of the expenditure of what sum may be necessary for this purpose from the regular appropriation for the work of the state board of health.

The secretary reported that, on account of certain handicaps he had been prevented from carrying on so wide a campaign of education at the state and county fairs as he had proposed at the last meeting of the board, and as he had been authorized to do. He had, in fact, done work of this kind only at the State Fair in Lewiston where, by means of talks illustrated with lantern slides and by means of demonstrations of first aid and life saving, work had been done which had been appreciated very highly. He read notes relative to unsolicited expressions of appreciation of the work which had been done there.

#### SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL WORK.

The following is a brief statement of the character of the work done in the office of the state board of health:

#### OFFICE WORK.

The work done in the office of the state board of health and the department of vital statistics is very varied in character and at all times there is as much work as it is possible to have done even with the rapid and efficient helpers, and sometimes, for the want of additional help which we cannot have, some work which should be done remains undone or is not done as promptly as it should be. The great number of problems in the solution of which the office must aid is indicated in part by a glance over pages 39 to 133 of the Fifteenth Report of the board. Much of this correspondence is technical in a sufficient degree to make it desirable that the answers be dictated by the secretary himself; therefore, it sometimes happens that during his absence the final answers to some parts of the correspondence must be delayed until after his return. Since the earlier years of the work of the board times have changed very much. With the state well covered with its network of telephonic wires, there is now need, in epidemic times particularly, for the executive officer to have his ear not far from the telephone in his office in the State House.

#### EPIDEMIC WORK.

Much of the time of the executive officer of the state board of health has necessarily been devoted to correspondence relating to the management of outbreaks of the infectious diseases, and in some years and months to travel much of the time for the purpose of seeing cases, making diagnoses, and giving personal advice in epidemic emergencies. Under any arrangement much of this is unavoidable, but to insure as great a degree of

uniformity as is possible among all of our local boards of health in the work for the control of these diseases, to make their methods as unhesitating and effective as may be, and incidentally to save a bit of time in answering inquiries about what should be done under this or that eventuality, the state board of health has prepared and put into effect a set of rules and regulations relating to the infectious diseases. This was done only after careful consideration and an examination of the codes which were in effect in those state and municipal departments which are noted for up-to-date and efficient work.

Under the guidance of these rules and regulations and the notes which are included in the same pamphlet with them, it is not only hoped that the work of the local health officers may be more certain and uniform, but it is planned that the reports of the notifiable diseases to local boards of health and to the state board shall be just as prompt and complete as possible and that the indexing and keeping track of outbreaks shall, in the central office, be as complete as it can be.

But, to make the utmost in keeping the infectious diseases under control, more money must be spent for help than has thus far been permitted, and there should be an extension of laboratory work outside of the field which it has yet been practicable to cover, and a more liberal provision of the biological products which now-a-days are so valued a feature in diagnostic, prophylactic, and therapeutic work.

#### FIELD-WORK.

One of the greatest needs of the state department of health is a field-worker—a man who could, much of the time, be on the road in answer to calls from local boards of health and others for consultations and advice about local conditions which are troublesome. The various kinds of work in the office of the state board of health have so increased that the whole time of the secretary is needed there. Nevertheless, some months and some years the flights from the office on various kinds of official work have been many—calls for the differential diagnosis of cases, or suspected cases of the infectious diseases; the inspection of local conditions known or thought to constitute nuisances; to advise school boards about the reconstruction of

school buildings or the improvement of the conditions in or around them; to advise the owners or managers of boys' camps about safe-guarding their charges, etc.; but in the two years, and particularly in the latter of the two years and covered by this report the state has been very fortunate in having an unusually small prevalence of the infectious diseases. As indicating the varying character of this outside work, some, a minor part of the visits of the secretary, are noted here:

#### 1914.

February 3. A visit was made to Litchfield to see a suspected case of smallpox which was found to be chickenpox although the patient was an adult.

February 6. At the request of the superintendent of schools at Lisbon Falls, the secretary visited that village for the purpose of examining five school buildings and advising the school board as to the desirability of repairing or reconstructing the old building or of erecting a new building instead. The lighting of these buildings generally was found to be very unsatisfactory and dangerous for the continued work which children are required to do during school hours. In some of the rooms the glass surface of the windows was found to be only slightly better than one-tenth of that of the floor surface instead of at least one-fifth as it should be, or still better onefourth. The rooms were ill-shaped; the heating and ventilation were very faulty; the toilet services were altogether too crude in construction so that gases of decomposition from the contents of the vaults were imperiling the health of the pupils. Subsequently, a great improvement in the conditions under which pupils might carry on their school activities was effected by the construction of a new and up-to-date school building.

February 27. Buckfield village was visited for the purpose of examining the school building in the village and advising upon the question as to the erection of a new building or of the reconstruction and repairing of the old one. The shape of the rooms was found to be unsuitable for school purposes; the lighting was exceedingly bad so as to be altogether too trying to the eyes of the pupils. The system of heating was found to be altogether inadequate and otherwise faulty. In none of the rooms save in the High School room was there any provision

whatever for the removal of the foul air and the arrangements there were practically worthless. The basement was altogether too low and damp, sometimes wet or even flooded. The fire risks were excessive.

The advice given was that it is advisable to erect a new building, "My reasons for this opinion are two:

- "I. The changes which would be called for in the attempt to make this building decently suitable for school purposes would be extensive and costly.
- "2. After the re-constructive work had been done it would be found impossible to convert this old schoolhouse into such a building as the village and town should have."
- March 6. At Portland, Biddeford and Saco for the purpose of making an inquiry and investigation in regard to the presence of cases of smallpox.

March 11. Yarmouthville was visited on account of the presence of cases of smallpox. Visits were made with the attending physician and member of the local board of health from house to house. Seven cases were found. The physician's diagnosis of smallpox was confirmed.

March 12. A call to Portland to see a suspected case which was found to be smallpox.

March 20. Bar Mills and Buxton were visited for the reason that there had appeared cases which were suspected of being smallpox. Persons were found in three houses who plainly had that disease. In a conference with the local board of health, advice was given as to the management of the outbreak.

March 21. A house in the town of Winthrop was visited for the purpose of examining a suspected case which, though in an adult, was found to be plainly chickenpox with a profuse eruption.

March 25. Upon a call from the local board of health of Westbrook, that city was visited on this date and, after an investigation of the cases in several homes, smallpox was found to be present.

March 31. In answer to a call from the local board of health of the town of Naples, a family was visited in the southern part of that town in which chickenpox was found, the eruption being in a form in which the attending physician was justified in being cautious in his diagnosis.

- April 3. There was a difference of opinion in the town of Dexter as to the nature of certain cases of infectious diseases; one case of chickenpox was found in one family, and in other families scarlet fever, which in some of the homes had assumed a very malignant form.
- April 18. A call to Portland to see a case of a suspicious and questionable eruption. The diagnosis of drug eruption was made. The patient had been taking bromides.
- April 24. Under this date a call to Leeds Center. It was found that both scarlet fever and chickenpox were present.
- May 2. In Old Town an inspection was made and a conference held over certain insanitary conditions, and in Orono scarlet fever and measles were found.
- May 6. A conference was held in the city of Rockland with the Rev. Alexander P. MacDonald who has charge of the work which the Coast Missionary Society is doing. Arrangements were made for cooperation between the state board of health and this Society in improving the health conditions of the people on the islands and fishing villages which are under the ministrations of Mr. MacDonald.
- May 11. A visit was made to Kennebunkport to advise in regard to the nature of a suspected case which was found to be chickenpox, and returning, Westbrook was visited on account of the presence of cases of smallpox.
- June 6. A local nuisance which had given the local board of health of Waterville much trouble was inspected by the secretary and a conference was held with the board as to desirable methods of working for the removal of the faulty condition.

June 15-24. Within the time covered by these dates, the secretary as a delegate of the board was in attendance at a conference which was held in Washington between the Surgeon-General of the Public Health Service and representatives of the state boards of health. Within the same period and at the same place he attended the conference of the State and Provincial boards of health. These conferences are held annually and the matters discussed are of so great importance that any state department of health which cannot be represented at any one of these meetings feels that its failure to be represented is a distinct loss to its service and to its state.

June 27. The secretary went to Bath for the purpose of inspecting six of the school buildings in that city. In these generally the rooms were too wide in proportion to their length. In none of them was the lighting found to be what is now considered essential for school work. In none of them was there found a space where blackboards could be so placed that the examination or the reading of the work placed upon them would not strain and have a tendency to injure the eyes of the children. In none of the rooms was there an efficient system of ventilation or any ventilation worthy of the name. The following are a few of the paragraphs extracted from the report which was made to the school board:

"Your city, with so much to make it attractive and so much to commend it to its own people and to others, does not do itself justice nor do right by its children by imposing upon them such noisome and noxious conditions as are found in the outhouses which are on some of the school lots outdoors, and on others actually under the same roof with the school rooms.

"In these days the educative influence, if we may so call it, which comes from suitably selected and well ordered play-grounds, is hardly of less value to the children than the instruction which they receive within the school room. In Bath I found some of the worst school grounds that I have ever seen.

"In some of your school buildings which are of more than one story in height, it seems to me that the danger which hangs over the children from a fire or from a fire panic is serious and should not be allowed to continue. Even if fire escapes are on these buildings, they would, in their present form, be a very unsafe substitute for broader and better stairways and a better provision of halls and doorways as exits."

It may be added that Bath has redeemed herself by the construction of a first-class up-to-date school building to take the place of these old structures.

August 7. In answer to a call, an inspection was made of the water supply system of Northport and on the way through Belfast it was incidentally learned that cases of typhoid fever had appeared in the city. An investigation was therefore made of the water supply system of Belfast and of part of its watershed. The source of the infection, though apparently not referable to the water supply, could not be fixed with any degree of certainty.

September 2 & 3. The secretary was called to York Harbor and spent three or four days then and subsequently in making an investigation of an outbreak of typhoid fever in that village which had resulted in the development of twenty-one cases in all. After a bit of careful work there was found to be no difficulty in tracing the source of the infection to one particular milk supply. At a special town meeting which was held later at which the secretary of the state board was present and made his report which had already been presented to the local board of health, the town took prompt action in guarding against similar outbreaks of this or other infectious diseases in the future.

September 11. This day the secretary of the state board was called to confer with the local board of health of Portland in regard to an outbreak of typhoid fever which had become extensive and serious. Considerable time at various dates through September and October was spent by the secretary of the board in an investigation as to the source of the infection, and a much greater time was spent for the board by Dr. Bickmore of Augusta, who subsequently settled and practiced in Portland, in investigating and tracing out from house to house the history of the various cases. The work which was done by the state board easily confirmed the opinion of the local board of health that the chief source of infection had been the milk supply by two dairymen and that the probable specific source of infection of many of the cases came from a farm in New Gloucester where there had been a case of typhoid fever the preceding year, and where there was, at the time of the outbreak in Portland, another case of the same disease in the same house.

September 16. A call to Wiscasset by the secretary of the local board of health to visit two families outside of the village in which there had recently been what appeared to have been cases of infantile paralysis in a mild form and in which plain and marked symptoms of paralysis had not occurred.

September 17. At the request of the local board of health a conference was held in Etna with the local health authorities on account of the prevalence of whooping-cough in some of the schools.

September 22. Most of this day was spent at Ogunquit in the town of Wells in the inspection of certain conditions which had been making trouble for the local board of health.

September 28. This and part of the following day was spent in an investigation of the sanitary conditions in Smyrna Mills and Oakfield. There had again been a recurrence of cases of typhoid fever in Smyrna Mills.

October 16. The dairy in New Gloucester which had apparently been the chief source of infection of the cases of typhoid fever in Portland was personally inspected by the secretary of the state board. The water supply of the household, coming from a spring at a considerable distance, was altogether devoid of suspicion. The methods of caring for the milk and taking care of the dairy apparatus were faulty, particularly in view of the fact that the flies had ready access to the privy vault and after a short flight just as ready access to the room in which the milk and the dairy utensils were cared fo:

## 1915.

February 26. A visit was made to the town of Madison for the purpose of conferring with and advising the local board of health.

April 19. To Skowhegan to confer with the building committee in regard to the plans of a new school building in the village.

May 27. To Pittsfield to see a case of suspicious infectious disease. It was found to be chickenpox instead of smallpox.

June 20. In Kennebunk the secretary visited cases in which there was a suspicion of smallpox. It was found that a man from New Hampshire with his daughter had visited a family; that his daughter just before the visit had an attack of what had been called chickenpox. In the case seen there was no difficulty in making a positive diagnosis of smallpox.

June 29. For the purpose of investigating some cases of typhoid fever which occurred in the village of Kittery, a visit was made to that town and a conference was held with the local board of health and physicians.

August 18 & 19. Under this first date the secretary and the president of the state board of health were in attendance at a meeting of the Hancock Medical Society, and the next day the

secretary, in answer to a request which he had previously received from the secretary of the local board of health of Gouldsboro, visited that town for the purpose of advising the local board in regard to the best methods of coping with certain nuisances which had been causing trouble.

August 21. In the village of Hiram, a troublesome outbreak of impetigo contagiosa had occurred and on account of this outbreak a visit was made by the secretary of the state board. The diagnosis of the attending physician and the secretary of the local board of health was confirmed.

August 22. One of the boys' camps in the town of Belgrade was visited for the purpose of advising the owner of the camp at his request with regard to the sewage and the water supply on the premises.

August 27. Oakland was visited for the purpose of conferring with Dr. Totman about the presence of cases of poliomyelitis.

September 6-10. The secretary, as the representative of the board, was in Rochester, New York, attending the meeting of the American Public Health Association. This Association includes within its membership national, state and municipal health officers not only of the United States, but of our insular possessions, Canada, Cuba and Mexico. The program covers matters which are of great practical value to health workers. This year's meeting was notable for the large attendance, a total registration of about two thousand, and for the large number of eminent sanitary experts and other earnest workers for the betterment of our health and social conditions. Among the many prominent persons were: Surgeon-General Wm. C. Gorgas, probably the foremost sanitary expert in this country —the man who made the building of the Panama Canal possible by making the Canal Zone sanitary; Dr. Wm. T. Sedgwick, Professor of Biology and Public Health, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and President of the American Public Health Association; Prof. C. E. A. Winslow, Director of the Division of Publicity and Education of the New York State Department of Health, who is soon to become professor of public health in Yale University; the Hon. William C. Redfield, Secretary, Department of Commerce; the leading health officers of the Dominion of Canada, and the health officers and directors of the laboratories of nearly every state and important city of the country.

September 16. A call from the local board of health of Anson was the cause of a visit to the villages of North Anson and Anson for the purpose of advising the local board of health in regard to certain nuisances in those two villages.

September 20. A visit was made to Bingham for the purpose of advising the local board of health of that town in relation to certain conditions in the village against which complaints had been made.

September 22. With the local boards of health of Rockland and Camden, the inspection was made of certain unsanitary conditions.

September 30. A visit was made to Presque Isle at the request of the local board of health for the purpose of looking over the water supply of the village and advising in regard to it. The conditions were found to be faulty and later action was taken by the Utilities Commission in regard to the matter.

October 15. At a request from the local board of health and citizens of Westbrook, an inspection was made of the piggery owned by the city of Portland adjoining the municipal boundary of the city of Westbrook. The conditions were found to be decidedly faulty and the testimony which was given by the citizens of Westbrook made it plain that the condition of the piggery had very frequently been a serious nuisance to the residents of the Cumberland Mills portion of the city of Westbrook.

October 23. The village of Lincoln was visited under this date in answer to a call from the local board of health. The sewage from the hotel in the village had plainly been a serious nuisance to the residents in some parts of the village. After a conference with the owner of the hotel he readily agreed to make the necessary improvements, such improvements as would be satisfactory to the local board of health.

October 29. Accepting an invitation from the Boston Board of Trade, the secretary was present at a milk conference which was held under the auspices of that body. At that conference very interesting lectures illustrated with lantern slides were given and the discussion which followed was also helpful to official and non-official workers for the improvement of the

conditions under which milk is produced and distributed to consumers.

November 5. A visit was made to Waterville to see a suspicious case which the secretary found to be chickenpox.

## SCHOOLHOUSE PLANS

An addition to the work of the state board of health was made by the enactment of Chapter 88 by the Legislature of 1909, in which it is provided that when, in the building of new schoolhouses, the plans which may be had from the office of the state superintendent of schools are not used, superintending school committees shall make suitable provision for the heating, lighting, and ventilating and the sanitary conditions of such buildings, and all plans and specifications for any such proposed school building shall be submitted to and approved by the state superintendent of public schools and the state board of health.

Under the operation of this salutary act there has been a very great improvement in the character of the school buildings which have been erected in the state in the last few years. The report of the state board of health for the year 1891, almost a special report on schoolhouses and school hygiene, contained an illustrated paper on that subject, was commended at home and abroad, was used as a text-book on school hygiene in the normal schools and departments of pedagogy in some of the universities of the other states, and was helpful to workers for the betterment of school conditions in this state; but under the operation of this law of 1909 the rate of improvement in the hygienic and sanitary conditions of our schools has been greatly Many of the recently erected buildings are model The architects generally are submitting mucin schoolhouses. better plans and school committees are coming to have a more correct appreciation of the special requirements of buildings for the housing of children during their school hours.

# EDUCATIVE WORK

As time goes on and experience accumulates, departments of health and the various cooperative workers for improving the health conditions of states and municipalities are coming to emphasize more and more strongly the good, the indispensable value of work done with the view of teaching the public that it is indeed practicable to control and lessen the prevalence of those diseases which are laying upon us year after year burdens hard to bear—death-rates much higher than they need be, loss of the time of the sick and of their attendants, and excessive financial expenditures. To do its best work, the department of health, state or local, must have the ready cooperation of a people who understand that sickness-rates and death-rates may be lessened, and human efficiency and happiness be increased at a cost which is slight in comparison with the burdens which preventable illness imposes.

The following letter answering an inquiry from another state about the educative work of the state board of health of Maine, may serve to give readers in Maine some idea of how the educative work of the board is carried on:

"Referring to your letter of April 3, we have in this state been carrying on our educative work about as they have been doing similar work in other states, by means of bulletins, circulars, etc., for general distribution or for helping local health officers in doing their work; by means of travelling exhibits relating to tuberculosis, school hygiene, child welfare, rural hygiene, etc., and exhibits and demonstrations at state and county fairs; but in addition to that there are possibly two methods which have been used by us in a sort of intensive way of furnishing instruction to rural communities about health matters.

"The first of these is the publication in large editions of practical leaflets on health topics for distribution through the schools. The system is, briefly, the getting of the cooperation of local superintendents of schools and then on our part offering to supply the local superintendent with a large enough number of copies of each of the leaflets, preferably distributed only one or two at a time, so that the superintendent may furnish each of his teachers a sufficient number to enable the teacher to send through the hands of the pupils a copy to every home represented by pupils in his school. The idea of this board is that we want to get these leaflets right into the homes, and particularly into the hands of the mothers.

"A circular letter which we send out advises that before the leaflets are put into the hands of the pupils to carry to their homes, they shall be used by the teachers in giving health talks on the subjects of which the leaflets treat. This method of getting information directly into the homes of the people in the rural communities has been very satisfactory to our board and has also brought to the office many letters of appreciation from the superintendents of schools and their teachers.

"A year or two later, or more definitely three years ago, an arrangement was made for the giving of health talks before the granges in this state. An arrangement was, therefore, made with a woman who is a pleasing and very effective speaker and who had been connected with the granges for a dozen years or more in doing work for the master of the State Grange, to give a series of lectures before the granges, her talks to be illustrated with lantern slides. Her services in giving these talks for our board have been very highly appreciated and there are almost constant calls for her educative work; for instance, some weeks ago she went to the northern part of this state, into Aroostook county, and spent ten or twelve days in giving a series of talks before the granges, and while there she had numerous applications from the granges in neighboring towns to come to them, but on account of her engagements in this part of the state she was obliged to return earlier than they wished. I have arranged to send her up there again for another quite long campaign a little later in the season.

"In addition to the services of the speaker to which I have referred, we made arrangements last fall to have a trained nurse, who is a very effective speaker, give a series of demonstrations and talks on First Aid, on the care of the Sick in Country Homes, and on some other topics. Her work was very highly appreciated, but recently through the advice of her physician, this speaker has been obliged to discontinue her work.

"Aside from the work which we have thus been doing with our own speakers, I have made it a point whenever I learn that any local worker or workers are seriously trying to do something, to write to them offering to help them by sending them the publications of this office which we have for distribution, or pamphlets and books which we have in the special library which I have been getting up for the use of persons who wish to cooperate with us. If they wish to speak to the public on health topics, I offer to send them sets of lantern slides to illustrate their lectures, and if a stereopticon is not available, I very often send one to them through the hands of one of our clerks who is trained to run instruments of that kind. She shows them how to use it and sometimes remains to run the slides through for them while the local workers are giving the talk.

"Usually these sets of lantern slides are accompanied by notes, or an outline lecture, or lecture. We have the following sets of lantern slides with lectures to accompany them:

"Tuberculosis No. 1' has been down in Washington county for eight months or so in the hands of the anti-tuberculosis nurse. We have furnished the nurse not only the lantern slides and the lecture, but a stereopticon, screen, and lighting outfit.

"'Tuberculosis No. 2', with the same kind of outfit, has been in the hands of the anti-tuberculosis nurse in Piscataquis county for about the same length of time.

"Tuberculosis No. 3' is kept in this office principally for cooperative work, sending it to persons who may wish to do work in their communities.

"The subject of 'Rural Hygiene' and an ample outfit is in the hands of our lecturer who speaks before the granges.

"'Infectious Diseases', 'Dental Hygiene', 'School Hygiene', 'Boy Scouts', 'Milk for the Baby, Safe and Unsafe', 'Saving the Babies', 'Feeding the Baby', 'Child Welfare—General Care of the Baby', are other sets of slides which we have made up and keep by themselves accompanied by outline lectures ready to go with them.

"We began four or five years ago to get together a collection of lantern slides from various sources from all over this country and a few from abroad, and now we are making some here in the office working up Maine material so far as we can. We have about two thousand slides now."

The illustrated talks before the granges mostly on the subject of the health of country homes were so highly appreciated that from the secretary of the state grange there came a request

for the extension of the lectures to other topics. The result was that after a consultation about the matter the following letter was issued by the secretary of the state grange:

# "To the Patrons of Maine:

"Arrangements have been made with the State Board of Health to furnish Lectures with demonstrations and illustrations before the Pomona and Subordinate Granges in Maine on Hygiene and Health Topics, among which are: Home Nursing or care of the sick in country homes, First Aid in accidents, or help until the doctor comes, School Hygiene, Tuberculosis, Mouth Hygiene, Child Welfare, Rural Hygiene, etc.

"Lectures on some of these subjects can be given at short notice if dates have not already been fixed for other places. The safest way will be to arrange with the board a few weeks in advance.

"These lectures will be given free of expense to the Granges but where it is necessary for the speaker to remain over night the Grange will of course furnish entertainment. It is recommended that where two or three Granges are located near one another they unite in furnishing an audience and that the lectures be public.

"Bring pencil and paper to take notes. These educational lectures are fully endorsed by State Master Stetson and State Lecturer Purinton.

"Granges wishing these lectures should write to. Secretary, State Board of Health, Augusta, Maine.

Fraternally,
(Signed) E. H. LIBBY,

Secretary, Maine State Grange.

It was a disappointment to all concerned that after carrying on this additional work for half a year a temporary discontinuance was forced by the illness of the trained nurse who was doing the work, mostly in giving first aid instruction, the want of which is very often keenly felt in rural homes, and home nursing.

One of the kinds of work which has reached many people and has undoubtedly been helpful to many is that which has been done at the agricultural fairs by means of wall exhibits, distribution of literature relating to health improvement to those to whom it will do good, and the giving of talks illustrated with lantern slides. Aside from the many commendations which this work has received, three other incidents connected with it have led us to believe that it has done good and is appreciated. (a) Every succeeding year a larger number of persons have come equipped with pencil and note book, (b) crowds of listeners have sometimes been held, giving close and serious attention meanwhile, for two hours or more as our speakers or demonstrators have taught them, (c) when, sometimes, a few scenic views have been slipped in, the crowd is much more likely to thin out, indicating, apparently, that the people were seeking information which might help them to better the conditions under which they live and work.

The board regrets very much that far less of this work at the fairs was done in 1915 than it was planned to do.

For some time the board has felt that work should be done for the people in our industrial centers in teaching them how to help themselves in improving the conditions under which they live and rear their children. The secretary has been authorized to begin that work as soon as he may find it possible to do so.

## STATE LABORATORY OF HYGIENE.

Report for 1914-1915.

by

# H. D. Evans, Director.

During the period covered by this report there has been no change in the character of the work done at this office. Its two branches, chemical and bacteriological, have been confined strictly to the routine work of the past, with no opportunity for independent investigation of any kind.

At the beginning of this period, owing to the transfer of the milk work of the Department of Agriculture to the Experiment Station the previous year, the laboratory was instructed to do no further testing of cream samples for that office if it in any way took time from the regular work of the laboratory. As a result there has been but little work done during the past years along dairy lines.

The legislature of 1915 granted an increase in the appropriation of the laboratory of \$1,000 for the purpose of enabling the office to employ an additional chemist. As noted in my last report this had become absolutely necessary if the amount of routine work that was coming to us was to be done. As this appropriation did not become available until the first of July 1915 it was necessary to continue to force the laboratory workers up to that time, but since the above date the additional help has enabled us to meet all demands without undue overwork of the office force.

During the legislative session of 1915 a determined effort was made to obtain an appropriation for a suitable laboratory building. While the bill was reported favorably from the committee it failed of passage by the various bodies. Later in the year the erection of a new office building in the city offered opportunity for obtaining good quarters without the erection of a separate building.

The experience of the past legislatures, indicating that it was not the intention of the State to combine the food work with that of the State Board of Health, it seemed possible to obtain first-class quarters of sufficient size to carry on all possible work of the present character in this new building, and at a cost not in excess of that of doing the same work in the old quarters.

These latter were far from satisfactory, and were in need of much repair, which would have to be borne by the laboratory. In view of the above facts, and of the fact that the lease had but 9 months to run, the Governor and Council authorized the laboratory to secure quarters in the new Purinton Block on Water street under a five year lease. During December 1915 these quarters were in process of preparation. Four rooms are available, i. e., an office room, a chemical laboratory of good size, a well lighted bacteriological laboratory, and a large room for storage and shipment of supplies and outfits. Good ventilating arrangements are being installed, and, on occupancy of these quarters, the laboratory will be in better condition to do its work than at any time since its establishment in 1902.

The laboratory force has remained the same, save during the last six months, Mr. V. C. Woodbury entered the employ of the laboratory in July 1915 as an assistant. During the summer of 1914 Mr. L. S. Pratt was engaged as assistant in the water laboratory for three months, and during the summer of 1915, Mr. James was engaged for the same work.

The lines of work have remained unchanged during the past two years. Practically no milk work is now done at the laboratory, and so the chemical work is practically confined to water analyses. This work has steadily increased and now occupies fully the time of the chemical force. Along bacteriological lines examinations are made for the Tubercle bacillus, the Diphtheria bacillus, the Gonococcus of Neisser, and Typhoid agglutination tests run on blood. In addition examinations of pus for the infecting organism is made as wished.

During the past two years we have examined 242 samples of milk and cream. Out of this total 156 samples have been creams for butter fat test: 85 samples have been milks from local milk inspectors or health officers, and one sample has been mother's milk. I do not tabulate these samples or speak

of their condition as they are too few in number to draw any conclusions from.

Water Analyses. As in the past the work of the laboratory during the last two years has been along the lines of analysis of both public and private water supplies; and there has been an increase in both classes of analyses during the period covered by this report.

The total number of water analyses made during 1914 and 1915 was 3,165. These samples have come from 345 different cities, towns, villages, and plantations, covering every section of the State. Outside of the samples from the public water supplies of the State the greater part of the remaining samples have come from the rural parts of the State, so that we can get a very good conception of the ground water supply of the State from these accumulated analyses.

Out of this total of 3,165 water samples there were 1,191 samples from the public water supplies of the State. Of course these public water supplies are from ground water sources as well as surface waters. The tables in the pages devoted to the public water supplies of the State give the source of each of the supplies, and no discussion of these waters will be attempted here.

The increase in the number of samples examined during the years 1914-1915, over those examined during the years 1912-1913, has been 16.9%, or an actual numerical total of 458 more samples. The handling of this large number of water samples, together with all of the routine bacteriological work which appears later in this report, must be considered a very creditable performance for the laboratory, especially in view of the fact that for 18 out of the 24 months covered by this report the work was done by but two men.

Separately classified we find these 3,165 water samples falling under the following headings:—Dug wells, 977: drilled and driven wells, 361: springs, 732: ponds, 623: streams and brooks, 200: rivers, 215: cisterns, 6: ice, 51. In each of these classes there is an increase in the number of samples over the corresponding class for the years 1912-1913, except in the class of cistern waters.

The most noticeable increase has occurred in the drilled and driven well samples. From the records I find that these sam-

ples have been quite largely derived from new wells, which would lead to the conclusion that there is an increasing use of such wells in this State. The increase in the number of samples in this class, over the previous 2 year period, was 108%.

The use of drilled and driven wells is to be encouraged, provided ordinary foresight is used in selecting the site of the wells. Given a proper location these wells eliminate the most important source of pollution to which our dug wells are subject, i. e., surface wash. The proper construction of drilled and driven wells renders such pollution almost an impossibility. In our rural communities the greatest danger to our domestic water supplies comes from the direct entrance of surface wash into the well with the ordinary stoned construction. Not only this, but the well accumulates much organic material in its bottom, and the rotting of this causes very disagreeable odors. Nothing of this kind can occur in the two above types of wells. It can be accepted as axiomatic that a driven well will yield a water of more stable character than will an ordinary dug well in the same location, and one far less likely to temporary pollution by surface drainage.

In this State we encounter drilled wells in two formations. The wells in the granites are practically sure to yield safe drinking waters. The only trouble that is likely to arise from these wells is scarcity of yield. Drilled wells in the limestone formations, or in the calcarious slate formations, rarely cause trouble from insufficient yield, but are likely to cause trouble from pollution of the water. No drilled well, in such a formation, should be used as a source for a drinking water supply until it has been examined, and the examinations should be continued in order to be sure that the water is maintaining its condition.

The reasons for the above statements are obvious, when the formations themselves are considered. The granites are laid down in horizontal layers, and the cleavage planes, in which the water is found, are, roughly, parallel with the surface of the ground. Water to enter these cleavage planes must have settled down through the soil to a great extent before reaching the cracks. As a result the water has been subjected to the oxidizing action of the soil bacteria in the upper soil layers, and to thorough mechanical straining by its long pas-

sage through the soil. It is rare to find a water from a drilled well in such a formation polluted, if the well casing is tightly cemented into the rock.

Along our Maine coast we have a considerable number of drilled wells in the granite formations. The only trouble that has been reported from these wells is smallness of yield, and, in the cases of wells near the shore and extending below high water mark, the influx of sea water when the well is pumped to an excessive extent.

On the other hand the limestone formations are easily channeled by the water, which comes down to them from the surface. Along these channels any impurity in the surface water readily runs, without chance for any purifying action from the soil bacteria. If this surface wash is polluted at the point of entering the rock the pollution is practically piped to the point where the well taps the water.

The calcarious slate formations in this State are usually sharply inclined. The water is contained in the channeled calcarious cementing material. The outcrop of the tapped strata is usually very near to the point where the well enters it. Any pollution at the point of the outcrop of the strata will be piped into the well in an almost direct manner. Wells in such a formation are a pure gamble at the time of sinking, and need constant oversight, as the increasing density of population may at any time result in pollution of these waters. We have had samples from deep drilled wells in calcarious slate that were domestic sewage pure and simple.

Out of the total samples of the past two years we have found 300 that contained lead. In every case these waters have flowed through lead pipes. This makes a total of 1,474 samples of water in which we have found lead in the State. I can but repeat my warning, contained in my last report, that lead pipe cannot be used with safety with any ground water in this State, save in the hard waters of the limestone formations, and even then only when these waters are free from even past pollution.

During the past two years we have made a very large number of analyses of water, and several analyses of ice, for the Railroads and Boat lines in the State that do an interstate business. The U. S. Treasury Department now requires cer-

tification of the water and ice supplies used in interstate traffic. In order to avoid the trouble of meeting the call for analyses for these certificates from the transportation companies at varying seasons we have made arrangements to make one analysis of each year's ice crop and two analyses each year of their various water supplies, and to do this during our slack months on water work. This meets the requirements of the Treasury Department, and greatly facilitates our own work. The Maine Central Railroad Company, the Bangor & Aroostook Railway Company, the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, the Portland Terminal Company, The Eastern Steamship Corporation, the Casco Bay & Harpswell Lines, and the Wiscasset, Waterville & Farmington Railway Company have their Maine water and ice supplies taken care of in this manner. As many of these companies take their supplies from the public water supplies of the various towns we thus have extra analyses of these waters, in addition to the regular quarterly analyses.

## PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES.

During the past two years we have examined 1,191 samples of water from the public water supplies of the State. 132 different water supplies have furnished these samples. This does not include all of the public water supplies of the State, but does include all of those from which we can obtain samples. In the case of some supplies we are unable to obtain samples from the company that furnishes the water, or from the local health officers of the town. There is no authority to compel the submission of samples, which is voluntary on the part of either water company or health officer.

The experience of the past two years with the Public Utilities Commission has shown the value of our routine analyses. Regular examination of the water from the supplies of all water companies should be required by law.

The character of the water supplies of the State varies very greatly. The variation is not only in actual freedom from pollution, but in physical appearance as well. We have waters that are absolutely free from pollution, but carry a very high color and vegetable content. In one case we have a water with a persistant turbidity, which is probably due to improper location of the intake within the reach of shore wash. In several cases

we have waters that are absolutely unfit and unsafe to use for drinking.

The State Board of Health, and the laboratory, have nothing but advisory functions in the matter of water control. They may know that a water is absolutely unfit to use for domestic purposes, and yet all that they can do is to warn the users of the trouble. They can compel no correction of the danger. In addition they are hampered through the lack of an inspector. All information that they may derive, relative to a water supply and its sanitary surroundings, are those which the water company or the local health officer may supply them with. There is no opportunity for actual knowledge of local conditions. Yet these conditions may be such that pollution of the water at times may be certain. Unless samples of the water can be obtained under these transient conditions the laboratory can have no idea of the condition of the water supply as a whole, and has to form its judgment of the water supply on its condition at the time of the particular analysis.

There is, of course, no question but that a public water supply should be safe at all times. To be safe most of the time, and unsafe for short and even rare periods, does not justify the use of the water for domestic purposes. Sanitary inspection of the watershed of our surface water supplies will at once show the possibilities of pollution of the water supply, and will suggest the means of preventing the pollution, or of purifying the water before its use. Unless the analysis catches the water during one of its brief periods of pollution the laboratory will consider it safe, as it will have to base all of its judgment on the analyses alone, without any chance of knowledge of local conditions.

During the past year knowledge gained of local conditions has caused a complete reversal of judgment in the case of two water supplies of the State. This knowledge was obtained through the kindness of the Engineer of another State Department. If the State Board of Health is to do even its advisory duty in the manner it should be done there is immediate need of a sanitary inspector.

While the State Board of Health has no authority in compelling the correction of pollution of the public water supplies of the State, and has never been able to obtain such authority from the legislature, yet the past year has given us a remedy for existing conditions if the people, served by the offending companies, wish to employ it. All of the water companies of the State are public service corporations, and, as such, come under the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission. This Commission can compel correction of existing conditions along the line of polluted water supply, and has twice issued its orders to that effect during the past year.

The laboratory has furnished its records in each of these cases, and has done the actual work of analysis of samples for the Commission, the collection of the samples being done by an agent of the Commission. The two cases in question will be noted in their proper places.

It may be generally stated that the water supplies of this State at this time are safe to drink when derived from the quiet waters of our ponds and lakes, and from drilled or driven wells and springs, but unsafe to drink when derived from our rivers. The exceptions to this latter statement occur in the unsettled portions of the State.

Our towns and cities are mainly situated on the coast or on rivers or streams that furnish either transportation of material, or power for industry. Naturally the place where they empty their domestic and trade wastes is the nearest watercourse, be it sea or river. We should expect such use to be made of the rivers of the State, and to have such use increase with the increase in both population and manufacturing.

In the case of a State devoid of lakes and ground water resources it is both right and necessary to compel careful treatment of trade and domestic wastes before they enter the rivers, as it is in such cases necessary to use the river waters as sources for public water supply. In a State that can obtain its public water supplies from other than running waters there is no excuse for the use of these waters for drinking purposes. The populations on the banks of the river render the water unsafe to drink without filtration. To filter a polluted water when an unpolluted source of supply is easily available and financially possible is worse than folly. Filtration of a water involves human and mechanical factors, both liable to failure at times; while these times are usually those when the condition of the raw water is most dangerous, and its treatment is therefore

putting an extra strain on the filtering apparatus, both human and mechanical.

In this State there are few cases where it is either physically or financially necessary to use water from any but an unpolluted source; and this office always advises against the use of water from a river as a source for a public water supply. When the water is taken from the upper reaches of a river, and at a point now free from pollution, it must be definitely understood that the water, while now safe, will in the future need purification, for the march of population is up the valleys of our large rivers.

It will, therefore, not be surprising to find in the following tables that the towns which take their water from the large rivers of the State have polluted supplies, save in those instances where the river waters are filtered before their use.

On the following pages are incorporated the tables of analyses of the waters from the public water supplies of the State during the years 1914-1915. Except in the case of new supplies, or of those where there has been some change during the period in question, there is no descriptive matter added to the tabulations, as such descriptions as we have of the source of the individual supplies has been incorporated in the previous reports of this office.

### ALFRED.

During November 1914 there was complaint of the odor and taste of the water from certain parts of the system of this company. Examination of the water showed it to be of high color, slight turbidity, and of high iron content of these points, with the presence of Crenothrix. The water was free from pollution by sewage wastes of all kinds. Flushing the mains removed the trouble. The water still carries a higher iron content than before this trouble occurred. There is probably some action of the unusually soft water on the pipes.

ALFRED.

			Аррва	rancs.		on I	IDUE EVAP- TION.	Ажи	ONIA.	Nitr			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
9308 9587	May 4, 1914 July 27, 1914 Nov. 2, 1914 Nov. 14, 1914 Feb. 1, 1915 April 27, 1915 June 14, 1915 July 27, 1915	0 0 0.4 0.2 0 0.2	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Moldy Veg. Grassy Veg. Moldy Slight Veg. Veg. Veg.	1.2 1.6 1.0 1.1 7.5 1.9 1.4 1.4	3.6 2.1 3.0 2.5 2.8 2.8 1.6 2.4 2.4 2.8	2.2 1.0 1.6 1.3 1.7 1.3 0.6 1.0	.0032	.0114 .0124 .0108 .0094	Trace 0 0 0 0 0 0	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0.19 0.20 0.17 0.20 0.17 0.21 0.21 0.19 0.17 0.15	0.9 0.5 0.6 1.2 1.0 1.2 0.3 0.6 1.0

## ANDOVER.

The water from this supply has maintained a safe and a satisfactory condition during the past two years, and no complaint of any kind has come to us relative to its condition.

ANDOVER.

			Appea	rance.		ON I	IDUE EVAP- TION.	Аммо	ONIA.	Nitre			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8753 9154 9511	April 13, 1914 July 13, 1914 Oct. 12, 1914 Jan. 12, 1915 April 4, 1915 July 5, 1915	0 0.2 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	1.2 1.3 7.5 1.3 1.6 2.1 3.2 4.2	3.8 2.8	2.1 1.8 1.9 2.5 1.8 1.9 1.2 2.6	.0002	.0056 .0266 .0122	0 0 0 0 Trace 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	0.04 0.06 0.12 0.08 0.04	1.3 0.9 1.2 1.8 1.0 1.5 0.9

AUBURN.

			Appra	rance.		RESI ON E		Аммо	ONIA.	Nitr			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitratos.	Nitrites.	Ch lorine.	Hardness.
8584 8813 9227 9384 9554	April 28, 1914 June 8, 1914 July 21, 1914 Oct. 27, 1914 Dec. 7, 1914 Jan. 25, 1918 April 30, 1918 June 2, 1918 July 27, 1918 Nov. 9, 1918	0.5 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Slight Grassy 0 0 Grassy Slight Grassy Veg. Grassy Slight Slight	0.5 0.1 0.4 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.4 1.6 0.1 0.2	3.0 2.9 3.7 3.8 3.2 2.6 3.5	1.8 2.2 1.9 1.6 1.9 2.5 2.3 1.4 1.2 1.2	.0012 .0006 .0004 .0012 .0012 .0006 .0016 .0006	.0094 .0112 .0094 .0104 .0086 .0084 .0078	0 0 0 0 0 Trace 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0.27 0.22 0.20 0.18 0.22 0.22 0.23 0.22 0.21 0.24 0.21	1.3 1.5 1.4 1.6 1.6 1.6 1.6 1.0 1.0

AUGUSTA.

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Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8338 8596 8860 8914 9178 9405 9552 9820 10112 10300 10878	Dec. 12, 1914 Jan. 21, 1915 April 16, 1915 June 14, 1915	0 0 0.3 0.2 0 0 0	0 0 0	Veg. Veg. Graesy Veg. Veg. Vég.	1.7 1.4 1.4 1.5 1.3 1.4 1.6 1.3 1.9 1.8 2.4	3.1 4.1 3.6 3.1 3.6 3.8 3.9 4.4 3.5	2.3 2.0 1.7 1.9 2.4 2.2 1.7 2.0 2.4 1.7 1.8 0.9	.0010 .0008 .0022 .0002 .0008 .0006 .0012 .0014 .0008 .0028 .0004	.0130 .0124 .0110 .0112 .0142 .0106 .0156 .0120 .0134 .0178 .0112	Trace 0 0 Trace 0 0 0 Trace 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0.21 0.20 0.17 0.18 0.16 0.19 0.18 0.20 0.20 0.21 0.19 0.19	1.7 1.5 2.0 1.6 2.0 1.5 1.5 1.6 1.5 1.6 0.7

## BANGOR.

During the past two years this city has maintained its filter plant at a high state of efficiency. The only time that criticism has been passed on its operation was in December, 1915, when the sample from it contained a trace of suspended hydrate of aluminum.

BANGOR.

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Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8645 8627 9141 9402 9497 9778 10071 10235 10666 10966	April 14, 1914 June 23, 1914 July 7, 1914 Oct. 12, 1914 Dec. 9, 1914 Jan 11, 1915 April 6, 1915 June 7, 1915 July 6, 1915	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	Veg. Woody Veg. Slight Slight Veg. Veg.	0.1 0.6 0.1 0.8 0.3 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.1 0.5 1.0	5.2 5.1 5.8 6.3 5.1 4.5 4.1 6.4 6.8	4.2 8.4 3.7 3.3 3.1 3.8 4.0 3.1 2.5 2.7 2.4 4.1 3.8	.0016 .0014 .0004 .0006 .0006 .0012 .0008 .0008 .0008 .0012 .0006	.0076 .0040 .0076 .0060 .0056 .0076 .0082 .0060 .0072 .0068 .0188 .0092 .0092	0 0 0 0 Trace Trace 0 0 Trace Trace	00000000000	0.07 0.12 0.17 0.11 0.20 0.12 0.10 0.15	1.2 1.4 1.9 1.2 2.2 2.5 3.0 1.5 1.3 1.3 1.1

BAR HARBOR.

			Арриа	rance.		on I	IDUE EVAP- TION.	Амж	DNIA.		ogen B		
N umber.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albumtnoid.	Nitratos.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardnes.
8641 8758 9206 9430 9523 9858 10106 10342 10563 10746	April 22, 1914 June 22, 1914 July 13, 1914 Oct. 24, 1914 Dec. 15, 1914 Jan. 18, 1915 April 22, 1915 June 12, 1915 July 19, 1915 Sept. 1, 1915	0 0.6 0 0 0.6 0 0 0.2 0.4	0 0 0 0 0 0 Rust 0 0 Veg.	Grassy Slight Grassy Veg. Grassy Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Slight	0.4 0.6 0.2 0.3 0.3 0.6 0.7 0.3 2.4	2.50 6 3.0 8 4.6 6 8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2	2.5 1.7 1.3 1.8 1.4 1.4 1.0 1.1 1.5 1.0	.0006 .0006 .0004 .0020 .0004 .0006 .0006 .0008 .0008 .0002 .0006 .0010	.0082 .0070 .0084 .0094 .0066 .0066 .0082 .0086 .0088 .0052 .0090 .0090	Trace 0 0 0 Trace 0 0	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0.57 0.61 0.60 0.61 0.60 0.55 0.63 0.52	0.8 0.8 0.9 0.6 0.9 0.9 1.0 1.0 1.44 1.0

#### BATH.

The last legislature incorporated the Bath Water District. At the time of making this report valuation of the plant of the Maine Water Company is being made preparatory to its being taken over by the Water District. No change in the source of supply is contemplated. The water from both the Thompson Brook and Nequasset Lake supplies of this city has been in safe condition. The Nequasset water is the preferable one for

use, and has been so employed during the past two years. No trouble from algae growths have been experienced in the lake during this period.

BATH—NEQUASSET LAKE SUPPL	BAT	rh—n	I EOU.	ASSET	LAKE	SHPPLA
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Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Ntrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8391 8554 8812 9226 9355 9569	Oct. 27, 1914 Nov. 30, 1914 Jan. 26, 1915 April 19, 1915 June 2, 1915 July 26, 1915 Oct. 25, 1915	0.9 0.2 0.2 0.8 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.3	0 0 0 0 0 Clay	Veg. Moldy Grassy 0 Veg. Slight Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	2.3 1.7 0.6 1.3 1.5 1.7 2.1 2.0 3.9 3.7 2.1	4.6 3.5 3.1 3.0 3.9 4.3 4.0 3.4 2.7 3.1 3.8	2.7 2.2 2.0 1.4 2.6 2.0 2.3 1.8 1.2 1.2	.0014 .0008 .0016 .0014 .0008 .0008 .0014 .0020 .0028 .0004	.0112 .0066 .0110 .0124 .0098 .0136 .0128 .0102 .0184 .0228	0 0 0 0 0 Trace 0 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0	0.42 0.33 0.36 0.35 0.38 0.39 0.42 0.38 0.34 0.35 0.28 0.30	0.8 0.9 0.8 1.2 1.0 1.3 1.2 0.8

BATH—THOMPSON BROOK SUPPLY.

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Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
9224 9570	April 28, 1914 July 21, 1914 Oct. 27, 1914 Jan. 26, 1915 April 19, 1915 July 26, 1915	0 0 0 0.3 0	0	Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	7.0 3.1	4.5 3.9 3.7 3.3 5.3 3.9 4.2 2.6	3.3 2.0 2.0 1.8 3.0 1.4 1.2	.0014 .0006 .0012 .0006 .0014 .0018 .0006	.0122 .0150 .0168 .0188	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0	0.49 0.40 0.40 0.44 0.37 0.44 0.42	1.3 0.8 0.8 1.5 1.6 1.0

### BELFAST.

In 1914 a filtration plant of the mechanical type was installed at Belfast by Mr. R. S. Weston, of Boston. The water was carrying a high color and organic content, and was, at times, exceedingly turbid. This plant has had to work under difficulties as it has had to handle a water whose organic material was not "old," and to operate without the attention of a skilled

attendant. The results therefore, have not been as good as were expected. There has been considerable aluminum hydrate in the filtered water. This may have been due to faulty operation of the filters, and, in some instances, has undoubtedly been due to incomplete coagulation before the water reached the filters. Steps are being taken to remedy the troubles with this plant as fast as possible, and it is hoped to soon have it operating properly.

During the period covered by this report the water has not been in satisfactory condition at all times, but the complaint has been on account of the above operating troubles, and not on account of sewage pollution of the water. The elimination of the hydrate of aluminum from the filtered water will give a water safe to use for all domestic purposes.

BELFAST

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Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Rediment.	Odor	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Press	Albuminoid.	Nikrates.	Nitritor.	Chlorine.	Rardness
8098	Jan. 29, 1914 21, 1914 3, 1914 3, 1914 4, 28, 1914 5, 10, 1914 5, 10, 1914 5, 10, 1914 5, 10, 1914 7, 28, 1914 7, 28, 1915 8, 1915 8, 1915 8, 1915 7, 1915 7, 1915 6, 1915 7, 1915	0075 0000000000000000000000000000000000	Veg. Veg. Al(O H)s 0 0 Al(O H)s 0 0	Ves. Ves. Ves. Ves. Ves. Ves. Ves. Ves.	1 6 1 8 1 0 2 0 1 0 0 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 3 2 3 2 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	4488855688960574883768 78577544883768	223 440 1 5 2 3 5 4 4 4 0 3 3 4 5 3 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	0012 0008 0022 0004 0010 0012 0008 0014 0009 0014 0012 0012 0013 0018 0024 0018	0108 0128 0112 0066 0092 0094 0276 0530 0118 0096 0110 0074 0118 0096 0112 0136 0214 0068 0118	0 02 0 Trace 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 02 Trace 0 0 0 02 Trace	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0 37 0 36 0 41 0 32 0 27 0 33 0 32 0 32 0 32 0 32 0 32 0 47 0 36 0 40 0 40 0 34 0 34 0 56	1 1 1 2 2 3 4 3 5 6 3 9 8 6 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 1 1 2 0 7 7 7 1 1 1 2 0 7 7 7 1 1 1 2 0 7 7 7 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

I Raw water.

<sup>†</sup> Raw water

Sedimentation basin.

<sup>&#</sup>x27; Filtered water.

BERWICK.

			Appea	BANCE.		on 1	IDUE EVAP- TION.	ľ	ONIA.		:OGEN :8		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8982 9294 9623 9701 9926	Feb. 2, 1914 May 19, 1914 Aug. 17, 1914 Nov. 10, 1914 Feb. 8, 1915 Mar. 10, 1915 May 3, 1915 Aug. 10, 1915 Nov. 16, 1915	0 0.7 0 0 0.2	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Veg. & Moldy Moldy Veg. Veg. Grassv	2.7 1.6 1.7 3.3 3.3 1.7 7.0	6.2 5.9 7.4 4.6 5.6	4.8 4.0 4.1 3.9 4.3 2.9 3.7 3.8 4.0	.0014 .0006 .0024	.0174 .0126 .0142 .0244	0.02 0.04 0 0.02 0.02 Trace 0.03 0.03	0 0 0 0 0 0	0.65 0.66 0.44 0.34 0.42 0.31 0.68 0.45 0.94	1.9 1.9 2.1 3.0 2.5 2.0 1.6 3.0 2.8

#### BETHEL.

			Арреа	RANCE.		on I	IDUE EVAP- TION.	Axna	ONIA.	Nitr			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8779 9156 9516	April 13, 1914 July 13, 1914 Oct. 12, 1914 Jan. 11, 1915 April 3, 1915 July 8, 1915	00000	0 0 0 0 0 0	Slight Veg. Veg. 0 Slight Slight Slight	0.9 1.3 2.0 1.0 1.2 1.0 2.1	3.5 3.4 2.6 2.6 3.0	1.7 1.0 1.2 2.6 1.6 1.7 1.1	.0012 .0008 .0014 .0012 .0008 .0006 .0002	.0040 .0068 .0120 .0068 .0058	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0	0.11	0.6 0.7 1.0 2.5 1.5 1.2 0.8 1.2

# BIDDEFORD.

The operation of the filter plant of the Biddeford and Saco Water Company has been satisfactory during the entire period, covered by this report, and the filtered water from this supply has been first-class in every respect.

BIDDEFORD	BA	A CY	WATER	MPANY.
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			Appea	rance.		on E	DUE VAP-	Ажи	ONIA.	NITE			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitratos.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8351 8532 8714 9149 9489	Jan. 5, 1914 April 21, 1914 May 28, 1914 July 6, 1914 Oct. 12, 1914 Jan. 11, 1915 April 12, 1915 July 12, 1915 Oct. 4, 1915	0.8 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Slight Slight Moldy 0 Veg. 0 Veg.	0.2 0.2 0.2 0.1 0 0.3 0 0.4 0.2	4.0 3.4 3.3 2.8 3.4 2.8 4.2 2.9	2.8 2.2 2.5 2.3 2.5 2.1 1.5 2.5	.0020 .0006 .0006	.0054 .0080 .0068 .0044 .0044	0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.11 0.12 0.19 0.14 0.07	1.5 1.5 1.3 1.0 1.9 1.6 1.2

# BIDDEFORD POOL.

This water is used only during the summer season. The supply is from driven wells, and has been in good condition during the past two summers.

BIDDEFORD POOL.

			Appra	RANCE.		RES	VAP-	Амм	ONIA.	Nitr A			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
9039	July 13, 1914 Sept. 3, 1914 June 20, 1914 Sept. 20, 1915	0	0 0 0	Slight Veg. 0	0 0 0.1 0.2	14.8 12.6	10.5 9.0	.0014 .0010 .0030 .0014	.0022	0.12 0.08	0.0003 0.0002 0.0003 0.0003	2.23 4.03	2.7 4.13 3.0 5.47

BINGHAM-CUMMINGS SPRING.

			Appra	RANCE.		ON E	ATON.	Алпи	ONTA.	Nite			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Ffred.	Free.	Albumthoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
	27, 1914 5, 1914 30, 1914 17, 1914 9, 1915 20, 1915 3, 1915 22, 1916 6, 1915 1, 1915	00000000000000000000000000000000000000	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Veg.	Stight Slight O Slight O Slight O Murty Rust O	0 1 0 3 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 2 1 7 0 8	8744 886 576 657 657	555553855178 55564844845	0008 0040 0028 0006 0036 0008 0004 0006 0006	0022 0052 0046 0084 0062 0050 0048 0214 0180 0064	0 28 0 16 0 16 0 17 0 09 0 12 0 11 0 03 0 05 0 14 0 20	0 0002 0 0003 0 0 Trace 0 0001 0 0001	0 71 0 46 0 42 0 42 0 48 0 36	4183340 3340 403247 301828

BINGHAM WATER DISTRICT.

#### BINGHAM-OWEN'S SPRING.

			APPEA	RAPCH.		ож Е	DOE TAP-	Asse	OWEA-	Kest 4	OGEN B		
Number.	DAYS OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Phond.	Pres.	Albuminold.	Nitrates.	Whether.	Chlorine	Hardnes.
8436 8869 9323 9535 9544 10423	Jan. 27, 1914 May 5, 1914 July 30, 1914 Nov. 17, 1914 Pub. 9, 1915 April 20, 1915 Aug. 3, 1915 Sept. 29, 1915	00000	0000000	O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	000000	5.6 4.4 5.5 4.5 5.5 4.5 5.5 4.5	4754806 44806 44806 4360	.0002 0014 0008 0004 .0008 .0018 0	0022 0022 0042 0014 0018 0020 0044 ,0086	0 03 0 03 0 02 0 03 0 02 0 02 0 03 0 03	Trace	0.16 0.18 0.16 0.16	2.7 2.3 3.1 4.5 3.3 3.5 4.3

BINGHAM—SMITH'S SPRING.

#### BOOTHBAY HARBOR.

	DATE OF		APPRA	RANCE.		ON E	TALE TON.	Anne	OHIZA.	Nera	O'THOY S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrikes.	Chlorine.	Bardosm.
8719 8802 9218 9581	Jan. 29, 1914 April 30, 1914 July 5, 1914 July 20, 1914 Oct. 26, 1914 Jan. 27, 1915 April 19, 1915 July 26, 1915 Oct. 18, 1915	0.5	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Veg. Veg. Hight Gramy Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	2 6 1 5 1 4 1.1 1 3 1 2 2.1 2.7 2.2	50 31 43 45 37	8 4 6 2 2 3 6 2 2 2 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7	0008 0046 0012 0014 0010 0072 0020 0004	0174 0120 0126 0142 0162 0110 0164 0184	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000000	0.64 0.64 0.73 0.78 0.60 0.80	3 0 1 0 1 3 0 9 1 5 1 1 0 1 5 1 7

## Brewer.

The supply of this city is still taken from the Penobscot River at Veazie, and without purification. The supply is one of the worst in the State, and is unfit for domestic use. Nothing came of the granting of a charter to the Brewer Water District, which, it was thought, would result in a pure water supply for this city.

At the present time the matter of correcting this supply is before the Public Utilities Commission on complaint of the users of the water that it is impure, and the Bangor Railway & Electric Company, the owners of the plant, admit this without contention. What order the Commission may make after the hearing is, of course, unknown but it will probably result in the abolition of one of the worse public water supply conditions in the State.

At no time during the past two years has this water been in safe condition to use for domestic purposes.

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BREWER.		•	. 7	

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			Аррва	rance.		ON 1	EVAP-	Ама	ONTA.	Nith	ogwr S		
Number.		Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitritos.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8311 8722 9107 9521	April 13, 1914 July 7, 1914 Oct. 5, 1914	B. 9888	0	Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	5.1 3.6 3.3 2.7 4.0 7.2	6.6 4.2 5.2 5.9 7.8 4.6 4.8 5.6	2.9 2.4 2.2 2.7 3.5 1.7 1.6	.0022 .6008 .0012 .0012 .0014 .0020 .0024	.0100 .0160 .0112 .0126 .0136	Trace 0 0 Trace 0 0 F	0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0.20 0.09 0.10 0.11 0.12 0.14 0.09 0.21	2.0 1.3 2.4 1.5 2.5 1.3 1.3

# Bridgton.

Up to June, 1915, samples came to us from this source at regular quarterly periods, but since this time we have been unable to obtain them from the local board of health. The last 1915 sample was furnished by the Maine Central Railroad Company. The water has been in good condition during the past two years. We hope to be able to make arrangements by which we may again obtain regular samples from this supply.

BRIDGTON.

			Агриа	RANCE.		ON I	IDUB EVAP- TION.	Амм	ONIA.		ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummod.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8403 8568 8819	Feb. 16, 1915 June 6, 1915	0.3 0.3 0.0 0.2	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	Veg. Veg. Veg. Grassy Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	1.3 1.5 1.2 1.1 1.5 1.1 0.8 1.3 1.8	3.0 3.5 3.0 2.7 2.8 2.6 3.5 4.0 2.2 2.7	1.5 1.7 1.8 1.4 1.6 1.6 2.5 1.3	.0012 .0008 .0012 .0006 .0020 .0022 .0022 .0006 .0012	.0106 .0076 .0130 .0102 .6074 .0104 .0092	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.18 0.15 0.12 0.10 0.14 0.16 0.14 0.19 0.14	0.9 1.4 1.3 1.4 1.6 1.2 1.3 1.3

## Brooks.

The only change in this supply during the past two years has been in the addition of a new well to the supply. The water from the new well was examined and found satisfactory, while the supply as a whole has maintained its good condition.

BROOKS.

			Appra	rance.		ONTE	IDUR EVAP- TION.	Аммо	DNIA.	Nitr			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8472 *8918 9606	Feb. 2, 1915 May 1, 1915 Aug. 2, 1915	0.6 000	0 0 0 0 0	0	0.3 0 0.2 0 0 0	5.6 6.0 9.2 5.6 4.6 6.0 5.8	4.6 5.2 7.6 3.9 3.7 4.1 3.6	.0002 0 .0008 .0010 .0010 .0002	.0008 .0022 .0078 .0026	0.04 0.06 0.018 0.04 0.06 0.07 0.05	0.003 0 0 0	0.35 0.42 0.58 0.35 0.35 0.44 0.37	2.0 2.7 4.9 2.2 2.7 3.0 2.1

<sup>\*</sup>New well,

## BROWNVILLE—BRIGGS WATER SYSTEM.

			Аррраі	rance.		RESI ON E	DUN VAP- TION,	Ани	ONIA.	Nitr	ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8499 9248 9648 9981 10494	Feb. 20, 1914 May 20, 1914 Nov. 2, 1914 Feb. 12, 1915 May 12, 1915 Aug. 13, 1915 Nov. 24, 1915	00000	0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0.2 0.4 0.3	4.4 6.2 4.4	3.8 3.4 5.0 3.6 2.0 3.0 3.7	.0002	.0018 .0020 .0040	0.02 0.02 0.03 0.01 0.01 0.02 0.02	0 0 0 0 0	0.21 0.29 0.32 0.17 0.25 0.32 0.27	2.0 2.7 3.6 1.6 2.0 3.0 2.1

#### BROWNVILLE—BROWN SPRING WATER COMPANY.

			Appea	rance.			DUE VAP- FION.	Амис	ONIA.		OGEN 3		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitritos.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8497 9035 9298 9646 9927 10487	Feb. 18, 1914 May 19, 1914 Sept. 2, 1914 Nov. 11, 1914 Feb. 10, 1915 May 1, 1915 Aug. 12, 1915 Nov. 23, 1915	0 1.25 0 0 0	0 0 Rust 0 0 0	Veg. 0 0 0 0 0	0 0.1 1.0 0 0 0 0 0.2	3.8 2.8 5.4 4.4 4.3 3.0 3.3 3.7	3.3 2.1 3.8 3.7 3.4 2.0 1.7 2.2	.0006 .0002 .0005 0 .0004 .0008 0	.0020 .0036 .0022	9.02 0.02 0.03 0.03 0.02 0.02 0.02 0.03	0 0 0 0	0.12 0.10 0.08 0.09 0.12 0.10 0.18 0.15	1.5 1.4 2.8 3.6 2.0 1.5 2.1

## BROWNVILLE-BROWNVILLE, MAINE, WATER COMPANY.

			Appeal	RANCE.	•	RESIDUE ON EVAP- ORATION.		Ammonia.		Nitrogen as			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8504 8989 9303 9645 9940 10463	Feb. 18, 1914 May 20, 1914 Aug. 18, 1914 Nov. 12, 1914 Feb. 11, 1915 May 4, 1915 Aug. 10, 1915 Nov. 23, 1915	00000	0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0.1	4.6 4.2 5.0 5.6 4.6 3.8 6.4 5.0	3.5 3.0 3.2 4.9 3.7 2.5 4.3 3.4	.0010 .0002 0 0 .0006 .0002 .0006	.0018 .0018 .0012 .0034	0.01 0 0.02 0.02 Trace 0 0.017 Trace	0 0 0 0 0	0.16 0.14 0.20 0.17 0.13 0.11 0.16 0.17	2.7 2.7 2.7 2.4 1.9 1.7 4.0 2.8

### BROWNVILLE JUNCTION.

While the regular source of supply for this village is obtained from springs yet, during the low water period of 1914, the supply ran so low that water was taken from Pleasant River to avoid water shortage. The river water was in safe condition at the time of the analyses, and the descriptions of conditions at the intake and above it, as given by the owners of the plant, indicate that the water is safe at this time. Changes in the plant are under consideration, and such increase in size as will make use of the river water necessary at times. I have advised the owners that the water should be filtered or sterilized by chlorine when the river is in use.

BROWNVILLE JUNCTION—BROWNVILLE & WILLIAMSBURG WATER COMPANY.

\*River (Pleasant.)

BRUNSWICK & TOPSHAM WATER DISTRICT.

			Арриа	RANCE.		ON E	P. MBIDUE ON EVAP- ORATION.		onia.	Nitr A			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albumtnoid,	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8445 8546 8834 8911 9246 9409 9585	July 31, 1915 Nov. 13, 1915	0000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0 0 0 0 0 0 Slight 0 Slight 0	0 0.1 0 0.1 0 0 0.1 0 0	6.0 5.5 5.2 5.8 5.5 6.8 5.5 4.7 6.1 4.4 5.1	4.7 4.3 4.2 4.6 3.9 4.1 5.0 4.1 4.2 3.2 4.0 3.4 3.8	.0010 .0006 .0002 .0002 .0006 .0004 .0006 .0002 .0006 .0016	.0016 .0028 .0032 .0024 .0010 .0024 .0016 .0024 .0044	0.02 0.03 0.02 0.02 0.03 0.02 0.02 0.04 0.04 0.04 0.025 0.02	0 0 0 0 0 .0001 Trace 0 0 0	0.50 0.43 0.40 0.40 0.39 0.42 0.42 0.48 0.49 0.45 0.45	2.7 2.1 2.3 2.7 3.0 2.5 2.2 1.8 2.7 1.3 2.8 1.1

#### BUCKFIELD.

			Аррва	BANCE.		ON I	RESIDUE ON EVAP- ORATION.		ONIA.	Ni <del>tr</del>			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albumhold.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8374 8846 9236 9376 9586	July 23, 1915 Nov. 2, 1915	0 0 0 0 0.1 0 0	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	Grassy Grassy Slight Grassy Veg. Veg. Grassy Veg. Slight Veg. Slight	0.6 0.9 0.6 1.0 0.2 0.9 1.3 1.3 0.4 0.3	3.1 2.8 2.5 2.7 3.4 2.7 2.0 2.5	2.6 1.6 1.6 1.4 1.3 1.4 1.1 1.1	.0022 .0006 .0004 .0014 .0014 .0008 .0022 .0004 .0008	.0116 .0082 .0110 .0094 .0082 .0118 .0092 .0080 .0136 .0104	0.15- 0 Trace 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.21 0.12 0.13 0.15 0.15 0.16 0.11 0.12 0.11	1.3 1.3 1.5 1.5 1.2 1.5 1.2 1.1 1.1

# BUCKSPORT.

Analyses of this water during the past two years have shown the water to be maintaining its safe condition. It still carries a very high color and vegetable content, so that its physical appearance is far from satisfactory. The use of a decolorization plant with this water would give a first-class drinking water in every respect, in place of one that was merely safe.

BUCKSPORT.

			Аррад	rawce.		RESIDUE ON EVAP- ORATION.		Аммоніа.		Nitrogen as			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8373 8608 8761 9214 9450 9525 9828 10116 10337 10739	Jan. 19, 1914 April 27, 1914 June 15, 1914 July 13, 1914 Oct. 26, 1914 Dec. 21, 1914 Jan. 16, 1915 April 19, 1915 June 14, 1915 July 19, 1915 Oct. 16, 1915 Dec. 13, 1915	0.5 0.7 0.7 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.3	0 0 Veg. Veg. 0 0 0 Veg. Veg.	Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Grassy Grassy Grassy Veg. Veg. Veg.	6.9 5.3 5.0 4.7 5.0 3.6 4.7 7.5 9.0 9.0 7.0	6.6 4.4 4.7 5.2 4.5 6.3 9.0 4.4 5.7 5.9 6.6 5.4	3.2 2.6 2.4 2.9 3.0 3.7 2.0 2.6 2.2 1.5	.0042 .0028 .0028 .0068 .0028 .0014 .0020 .0026 .0042 .0048 .0048	0162 0386 0268 0364 0302 0402 0298 0230 0266 0300	Trace Trace 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace Trace	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0.55 0.37 0.34 0.33 0.45 0.22 0.40 0.44 0.30 0.30 0.48	4.0 1.6 1.0 2.3 1.5 2.4 2.2 1.6 1.2 2.2

#### CALAIS.

The regular source of supply for this city is from springs in Milltown, N. B. During the month of January, 1915, breaks in the line made this supply unavailable for Calais, and the Water Company pumped direct from the St. Croix River through their old intake. This water was polluted by the sewage of the town of Woodland, and was unsafe to use for drinking. The Water Company notified the users of the water of the condition, and the local board of health advised boiling the water. The laboratory watched the condition of the water after the spring supply was again turned on and mixed with the river water in the mains, and the advice to boil the water was kept in force until continued analyses showed no chemical or bacterial evidence of the presence of the river water in the supply.

Thanks to the precautions taken no trouble resulted from this temporary use of the river water; but it cannot be too strongly urged that the river connection of this Company be discontinued, and provision made for meeting emergencies in operation with a pure water. Double intakes, where one enters a polluted water, have often caused trouble, and should never be allowed.

CALAIS.

			Аррва	rance.		on E	RESIDUE ON EVAP- ORATION.		ONIA.	Nitrogen as			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummold.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8459 8547 8852 9254 9391 9411 *9556 9600 9627	Nov. 2, 1914 Dec. 4, 1914 Jan. 18, 1915 Feb. 1, 1915 Feb. 8, 1915 Feb. 23, 1915 May 20, 1915 June 14, 1915 Aug. 2, 1915	0 0.1 0 0.4 0 0 0.4 0	0 0 0	Veg.  O Slight Veg. Veg. O Slight O Slight Slight Veg. Slight	1.6 1.1 0.2 0.5 1.0 0.5 0.9 2.7 1.1 1.2 1.3 1.8	3.7 4.2	2.3 2.25 2.10 3.10 2.37 3.05 8.80 1.80 2.20	.0008 .0002 .0002 .0005 .0012 .0012 .0018 .0006 .0006 .0006	.0122 .0060 .0170 .0056 .0052 .0058 .0046 .0054 .0104	0.02 0.02 0.02 0.02 Trace 0.03 Trace 0.02 0.01 0.02 0.02 Trace 0.03	0 Trace 0 0 Trace 0 0	0.26 0.20 0.21 0.19 0.18 0.20 0.13 0.21 0.25 0.26 0.27 0.29 0.19 0.14 0.28	1.7 1.3 1.4 2.4 2.4 1.6 1.5 1.5 1.5 2.7 1.5

\*St. Croix River.

CAMDEN.

			Аррка	RANCE.		RESIDUE ON EVAP- ORATION.		Ammonia.		Nitrogen as			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummold.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8369 8566 8657 8760 9219 9413 9464 9539 9851	Jan. 17, 1914 April 27, 1914 June 5, 1914 June 24, 1914 July 13, 1914 Oct. 26, 1914 Dec. 12, 1914 Dec. 24, 1914 Jan. 18, 1915 April 20, 1915 June 12, 1915	0.4 0.4 0.5 0.0 0.2	0 0 0 Veg. 0	Veg. Grassy 0 Slight 0 Veg. Veg. Veg. Fishy Grassy 0	0.4 0.1 0.2 0.2 1.2 0.3 0.2 0.7 1.3	2.4 2.8 3.1 3.0 4.0 2.9 3.6 2.7	1.8 1.9 1.6 2.1 1.7 2.3 1.8 2.6 2.4 1.7	.0014 .0004 .0008 .0008 .0002 .0030 .0002 .0064 .0012	.0058 .0060 .0064 .0084 .0122 .0052 .0052 .0156	0 0 Trace 0 0 0	0 Trace 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.44 0.41 0.40 0.39 0.41 0.53 0.48 0.59 0.43 0.45	0.8 1.2 1.0 1.3 0.9 1.0 1.5 0.9 1.0

#### CAMDEN & ROCKLAND WATER COMPANY.

-		Appearance.				RESIDUE ON EVAP- ORATION.		Анионы.		Nitrogen as			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.		Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitritos.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
10161 10747 11006 11061	June 21, 1915 July 20, 1915 Oct. 18, 1915 Dec. 6, 1915 Dec 13, 1915	U	0 0 Rust 0 0	Slight O Slight Slight Slight	0.2 0.3 6.2 0.3 0.2	2.3	1.5 0.5 0.6 1.4 1.2	.0002 .0008 .0016	.0054 .0058 0108 .0132 .0070	Trace	0	0.36	1.0 1.2 1.0 1.2 0.8

#### CARIBOU.

The water supply of this town still comes from the Aroostook River. This supply is grossly polluted. The amount of the sewage pollution has steadily grown since this water came under observation. The main source of trouble is from the sewage of Presque Isle, which is not over 15 miles away by river. Both the water company and the board of health know the conditions, but this office has heard of no steps being taken by either party, looking to the correction of the existing condition. The best chance for the cleaning up of this matter lies in an appeal to the Public Utilities Commission.

Only the fortunate absence of infectious disease from the communities, which sewage into the upper river, has prevented this supply from causing serious trouble. It is one of the poorest supplies in the State. Immediate steps, looking to purification of the present supply, or to obtaining a new and unpolluted source of supply, are imperative.

#### CARIBOU.

	DATE OF		Аррва	rance.		RESIDUE ON EVAP- ORATION		Amkonia.		Nitrogen as			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrikes.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8321 8729 9176 9510 9800 10292	Jan. 12, 1914 April 13, 1914 July 6, 1914 Oct. 19, 1914 Jan. 11, 1915 April 12, 1915 July 12, 1915 Oct. 11, 1915	0.2 7.0 0.3 3.2 0.3	Runt 0 0 Clay	Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Moldy Veg. Veg. Veg.	3.1 6.5 2.0 1.6 3.0 14.0	6.2 7.8 7.3 6.2	5.1 4.3 3.4 3.4 5.2 3.5 1.9	.0012 .0012 .0114	.0312	0 0 0.03 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 Trace 0	0.21 0.07	4.0 2.6 2.7 3.3 4.8 2.7 2.0 2.7

#### CASTINE.

DATE OF		Appearance.					RESIDUE ON EVAP- ORATION.		ONIA.	Nitrogen as			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8442 8884 9245 9592 9876 10507	Feb. 2, 1914 May 11, 1914 Aug. 1, 1914 Nov. 2, 1914 Feb. 1, 1915 April 26, 1915 Aug. 16, 1915 Nov. 18, 1915	0 0 0 0.3	0 0 0 0 0	Slight Veg. Slight 0 Slight 0 Veg.	0.1 0.9 0.3 0 0.1 0.8 1.7 0.2	4.4 6.0 6.5 9.7 7.3	6.8 3.6 4.4 7.2 4.5 5.5	.0008 .0012 .0006 .0022 .0012 .0008 .0026	.0080 .0122 .0056 .0032 .0036 .0112	0 0.02 0 0 0.11 0.09 0.02 0.09	0 0 0 0	1.00 0.58 0.75 0.75 0.78 0.68 0.82 0.79	3.8 2.4 2.9 3.0 6.0 3.5 4.5 3.0

# CHERRYFIELD.

We have been unable to obtain samples from the supplies of this town from the local health officer, and so can report no analyses from the two supplies of this town.

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			Аррва	rance.		ON E	DUE VAP- TION.	Амм	ONIA.		ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8710 8801 9212	April 27, 1914 July 6, 1914 July 20, 1914 Oct. 26, 1914 Dec. 14, 1914 Jan. 25, 1915 April 19, 1915 June 21, 1915 July 26, 1915 Oct. 18, 1915	0.4 0 0 0 0.3 0.2 0 0.1	000000	Grassy Veg. Veg. Slight Grassy Veg. Grassy Veg. Grassy Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	1.6 1.5 0.9 0.9 1.2 1.4 1.6 2.1 1.6 1.7	3.9 2.9 3.5 6.6 2.9 3.4 3.0 3.1 2.8	2.0 1.9 2.4 1.8 1.3 2.0 2.8 1.3 1.1 1.5 1.7	.0014 .0006 .0006 .0012 .0008 .0014 .0020 .0018 .0014 .0006 .0008	0096 0164 0140 0140 0126 0140 0126 0124 0140	00000000000	0 0 0.0002 0 0 0	0.45 0.40 0.36 0.41 0.43 0.41 0.42 0.44 0.41 0.42 0.40 0.42	1.2 0.8 0.8 1.0 0.9 1.5 1.2 1.0 1.3 1.3

## DANFORTH.

This town is regularly supplied with a ground water from a large well, the water being of good quality. The system has a double intake, one into the well, and the other into Baskehegan Stream. The latter is used in case of excessive draught on the system during fires, and during breaks in the well pipe line. Use of the water from the stream was made the last of May, 1914, on account of a large fire, and during the middle of November, 1915, on account of breakdown of the pumps at the well.

Examination of the water at both of the above periods showed it to be essentially a surface water, and to be free from evidences of pollution. I understand that the stream intake is located in the mill pond. This is an undesirable location, both on account of the possibility of pollution of the water from the men on the logs, and from polluted surface wash from the neighboring building entering the supply. If it is necessary to maintain this stream connection the intake should be carried up the stream well above the houses and the booms.

While the water from the stream has been in safe condition at the times it has been of necessity used, yet it possesses the usual opportunities for pollution of running water, and so its use is to be advised against on general principles. This is another case where a double intake offers opportunity for trouble with a water supply. The safe thing to do is to develop the ground water supply to meet all demands, even though the stream water has not as yet, shown evidence of pollution.

DANFORTH.

							idge Evap- Fion.	Амм	ONIA:		ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor:	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8480 8505 8891 9274 9639 9924 10505	Aug. 3, 1914 Nov. 9, 1914 Feb. 9, 1915 May 3, 1915	0.2	0 0 0	Veg. Slight	0.9 0.1 3.3 0.3 0.3 0 1.3 0.2 1.8	8.1 5.5 13.7	3.0 11.8 10.5 9.6 4.4 7.6	.0006 .0050 .0008 .0002 .0006 .0004	.0038 .0060 .0156 .0068 .0032 .0028 .0070 .0014	0.12 0.05 Trace 0.070 0.09 0.09 0.06 0.08	0 0 Trace 0 0 0 0 0 0.0002	0.53 0.35 0.15 0.60 0.47 0.43 0.32 0.40 0.36	9.6 6.5 2.7 10.2 9.0 6.9 4.0 9.0 5.7

<sup>\*</sup> Stream.

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			Аррел	ARANCE.		ON ]	EVAP-		ONIA.		ogen B		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminold,	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8337 8808 9319 9462 9542 9802 10180 10288 10852	Jan. 18, 1915 April 10, 1915 June 22, 1915	000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	Veg. Veg. Slight Grassy Slight 0 Veg. Veg. Slight Veg. Veg.	0.4 0.2 0.2 1.3 1.1 1.4	4.1 5.7 4.9 4.4 4.2 4.3 3.9 4.1	2.9 3.0 2.7 4.5 3.5 2.8 3.0 2.6 2.0 2.2	.0006 .0020 .0020 .0014 .0012 .0014 .0020 .0008 .0002 .0012	.0086 .0116 .0110 .0116 .0102 .0082 .0102 .0086 .0118	0 0.013 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0.0001 0 .0 0 0 0 0	0.20 0.17 0.22 0.27 0.22 0.20 0.20 0.23	1.2 2.6 2.6 3.0 2.5 2.7 2.1 2.0 2.3 2.5 2.0

### DIAMOND ISLAND.

	DATE OF COLLECTION.  8767 July 13, 1914 9034 Aug. 31, 1914		Аррва	rance.		ON I	IDUB EVAP- TION.		ONIA.	NITE	OGEN S		
Number.		Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
9034 10174	July 13, 1914 Aug. 31, 1914 June 21, 1915 Sept. 13, 1915	0	0 0 0 Slight	0 0 0 0	0	14.0 15.2 17.0 17.6	9.7 10.1	.0010	.0030 .0010 .0028 .0030	0.015 0.045 0.04 0.022	0	3.65	4.0 6.4 6.8 9.21

#### DIXFIELD.

This supply has been taken from an impounded brook, as in the past years, save during the summer of 1914 when the dry weather necessitated the use of water from a pond with the brook supply. This water has shown its usual fluctuations in color and vegetable content during the past two years, and, at times, the color has been so high that it is surprising that no complaint has been made relative to the appearance of this water.

Lumbering operations were in progress during the winter of 1914, as during the previous year, and warning of the possibilities of pollution of the water from unsanitary conditions about the camps on the feeder brooks of this system was given the local board of health. Fortunately no trouble arose from the use of the water after the spring rains.

It cannot be too strongly urged that the local boards of health exercise strict control over the sanitary arrangements of any lumber camps on the tributaries of their public water supplies. My experience has shown practically no attention on the part of the operators to disposal of the fecal matters where they cannot be reached by surface wash during the spring rains. This carelessness in disposal of such wastes, coupled with the common appearance of intestinal disorders among the men in such camps, constitutes a very real danger to the public water supply on whose watershed a lumbering operation is in progress.

DIXFIELD.

#### DOVER AND FOXCEOFT.

These towns still take their water supply from the Piscataquis River, within eight miles of the outfall of the Sangerville sewers. The water is grossly polluted, as it has been for years past. In spite of continued agitation there has been no change in this supply, although several possible sources have been investigated, and legislative permission obtained in 1915 for the use of water from two new sources.

This water supply is not safe to use for drinking purposes, and constitutes another of our badly polluted supplies from our large rivers.

DOVER AND FOXCROFT WATER DISTRICT.

## EAST MILLINOCKET.

Up to the end of the year 1915 this town has continued its use of water from its drilled wells; the water being in first-class condition for drinking, although a little hard for industrial uses.

It is now contemplated to increase the quantity of water in this supply by an intake in the East Branch of the Penobscot River. If this is done it will be unfortunate. At the present time the East Branch flows through wild lands for practically all of its distance. However the town of Grindstone is located on it, and at too close a distance to East Millinocket to give continued assurance of the safety of the river water at the latter point. At this time there is no sewage system at Grindstone, but the surface drainage of the village enters the river.

In addition to this the East Branch is used for log driving purposes up to the middle of the summer. The habits of the drivers, as to disposal of excreta and urine, are far from conducive to maintaining the purity of the water during the log driving season.

These two considerations, coupled with the fact that there will be increase in the population on the river above East Millinocket, has led me to advise the local health authorities to protest against the use of the river water in augmenting the supply of the water company. It will introduce possibilities of pollution of the water supply, and will, even in the absence of such pollution, result in the use of a water with all of the wide fluctuations in physical condition characteristic of a rapid flowing river.

EAST MILLINOCKET.

			Apprai	rance.		RESI ON E		Ами	ONIA.		ogen s		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8890 9267 9610 9914	Feb. 3, 1914 Aug. 3, 1914 Nov. 5, 1914 Feb. 3, 1915 April 27, 1915 Nov. 27, 1915	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0	11.2 11.0 10.7 10.0 10.7 12.4	9.7 8.2 7.1	.0002 .0002 .0006	.0014 .0020 .0012	0 0 0 0.01 0.02 0.02	0.0007 .0004 0	0.17 0.21	5.5 8.4 8.3 6.3 6.1 7.0

### EASTPORT.

The supply of this city remains as in the past from Boyden Lake. It was noted in my last report that this water had been acquiring a considerable turbidity during 1912-1913. This condition has continued, and has increased during the past two years. At times the degree of turbidity has been such as to unfit the water for drinking on account of its roily appearance.

In addition there has been considerable chemical evidence of surface wash entering the pond, close enough to the intake to reach out over it. While I have been unable to obtain any actual knowledge of the conditions about the lake, owing to the lack of inspection, yet all of the evidence of the past four years points to improper location of the intake of this supply. Such being the case the correction of the trouble should be easily made.

It is full time that something is done to correct the appearance of this water. If the assumption is correct that land wash can flow over the intake, then there enters the possibility of serious pollution of the water.

We are informed that there are a great many cottages about this lake, and that there are no restrictions on the owners, either as to use of the lake or as to disposal of the wastes of the cottages. Coupling this condition with the fact that the water of the water company is taken from a point within the reach of surface wash from the shores, and we have a serious condition, which is sure to lead to future trouble.

At the present time this water is in very unsatisfactory condition. The experience of the past four years points to an increase in this condition, rather than to a decrease, with resulting possibilities for actual pollution of the water of this supply.

EASTPORT.

			Appna	rapte.		ON 1	PION TOUR		SHTA.		ogen B		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment,	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed	Prec.	Albuminotd.	Nikrates.	Nibritos	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8564 8764 9188 9438 9622 9613 10138 10346 10771	April 21, 1914 June 5, 1914 July 11, 1914 Oct. 20, 1914 Dec. 16, 1914 Jan. 18, 1915 April 13, 1915 June 16, 1915 July 20, 1915	08 76 10 10 25 10 7	Earthy Clay and	Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog.	187 250 200 146 230 147 17	8 8 4 9 6 7 8 3	40167367355559 40167367355559 40167367355559	0040 0028 0008 0014 0024 0006 0012 0056 0012 0008 0014	0178 0118 0152 0142 0148 0198 0196 0290 0166 0178 0150	O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0 61 0 38 0 39 0 39 0 49 0 77 0 50 0 36 0 37 0 40	114422547874 114221247874

ELLSWORTH.

### FARMINGTON.

The source of supply for this town remains, as in the past, from Varnum Pond, in the town of Temple. During the past two years there has been an extension in the capacity of the supply through the laying of an extra main from the pond. The water has remained in first-class condition.

During the past year the local health authorities asked my opinion as to the advisability of prohibiting all swimming in

the pond. There had been little of this in the past, but it had been on the increase during the last summer, and there was fear of possible pollution of the supply from this source. I advised prohibition of swimming in the pond. This matter is really more the concern of the town of Wilton as the swimming is done mostly at the lower end of the lake, where the intake of the Wilton Water Company is located.

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			Appra	RANCE.			DUE VAP- TION	Амис	ONIA.	Nitr A			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8431 8494 8582 8912 9269 9387 9575 9902 10008 10083 10392 10843	Jan. 25, 1914 May 6, 1914 May 20, 1914 June 8, 1914 Aug. 5, 1914 Dec. 7, 1914 Jan. 26, 1915 April 28, 1915 May 17, 1915 June 7, 1915 July 28, 1915 Nov. 2, 1915 Dec. 2, 1915	00000000000	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Slight Slight Grassy Slight 0 Grassy 0 Slight Slight 0 0 0.2 Slight	0.4 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.1 0.4 0.2 0.2 0.3 Slgt	4.2 3.9 3.3 3.7 3.8 4.4 5.0 3.3 3.3 3.3 3.7 3.4	3.5 2.7 2.2 2.4 2.6 4.0 3.2 2.3 1.7 1.5 2.0 1.2 1.1	.0008 .0020 .0008 .0012 .0004 .0006 .0014 .0008 .0012 .0010 .0008 .0006	.0058 .0062 .0068 .0104 .0070 .0082 .0040 .0072 .0104 .0078	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.15 0.11 0.05 0.10 0.08 0.11 0.11 0.12 0.10 0.13 0.10 0.15 0.09	1.7 2.1 1.9 2.0 2.6 2.5 1.5 2.0 2.1 1.6 1.8

FARMINGTON FALLS.

			Appea	RANCE.		on I	IDUE EVAP- TION.	Аммо	ONIA.		OGBN		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8485 8894 9286 9602 9966 10427	Feb. 16, 1914 May 18, 1914 Aug. 3, 1914 Nov. 9, 1914 Feb. 1, 1915 May 10, 1915 Aug. 4, 1915 Nov. 16, 1915	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	4.2 3.6 4.6 5.4 3.3 3.5 4.8	3.3 2.9 3.6 4.6 2.9 2.3 3.7 2.8	.0006 .0004 .0002 .0002 .0008 .0008 .0018	.0012 .0018 .0020 .0018 .0012	0.03 0.02 0.05 0.02 0.02 0.02 0.34 0.01 0.03	O O O O O Trace	0.21 0.17 0.25 0.17 0.16 0.13 0.18 0.22	2.7 2.6 3.2 3.4 1.9 1.9 3.5 2.8

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	5 March 2 1914		Appra	rance.		ON E	DUB VAP- TION.	Ами	onia.		SOGEN LS		
Number.		Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Flxed.	Free.	Albumtnotd.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8483 9000 9314 9625 9930 10469	March 2, 1914 May 16, 1914 Aug. 22, 1914 Nov. 14, 1914 Feb. 6, 1915 May 1, 1915 Aug. 10, 1915 Nov. 13, 1915	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0.3 0.3 0 0.3 0	12.3 15.1 17.7 15.9 13.5 16.2	15.6 11.3 13.7 14.6 13.9 11.9 11.3	.0010 .0006 .0048 .0	.0018 .0050 .0042 .0034 .0018 .0030	0.07 0.05 0.02 0.02 0.05 0.04 0.03 0.03	Trace	0.18 0.19 0.17	12,9 11.0 16.3 14.3 10.1 9.5 17.0 12.5

# FORT KENT.

Up to this time we have been unable to obtain samples of the water supply of this town from the water company or from the local health officer. However the trains of the Bangor & Aroostook Railway Company take drinking water at this point, and so we obtain semi-annual samples from this supply through their agent.

The only information which we have been able to gain, relative to the source of this supply, is that it is from a spring fed brook, located about two miles from the village. The water, as represented by the samples we have received, has been typical of water from such a source; showing an increase in color and vegetable content and a fall in mineral content during the wet seasons, and a fall in color and vegetable content and a rise in mineral content during the dry seasons.

The water has been in satisfactory condition to use for drinking as represented by the samples we have received from the Railway Company.

## FORT KENT.

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Number. 173	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminold.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
	June 30, 1914 Dec. 8, 1914 June 2, 1915	0 0.1	0 0 0 0	Veg. Veg. 0 Veg. Veg.	1.6 1.8 3.3	5.5 4.9 4.3	4.0 3.4 2.8 1.8 2.8	.0008 .0012 .0012 .0014 .0008	.0090	Trace 0 0.04 Trace 0.03	0 0	0.13 0.03 0.21 0.07 0.14	3.1 2.4 3.0 1.5 2.8

## FREEPORT.

			APPRA	RANCE.		on 1	EVAP-	Амм	ONIA.		ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8791 9199 9520	April 13, 1914 July 13, 1914 Oct. 20, 1914 Jan. 15, 1915 April 7, 1915 July 20, 1915	0.8 0.2 0 1.9 0.8	0 0 0 Clay	Veg. Grassy Veg. Veg. Slight Veg. Veg.	1.0 1.3 1.4 1.4 2.7 3.5	7.7 6.6	4.8 2.9 4.2 5.5 5.5 5.1 3.8 4.9	.0018 .0014 .0018 .0008 .0012 .0018 .0010	.0090 .0086 .0064 .0104 .0090 .0182	0.050 Trace 0.065 0.068 0.065 0.04 0.02 0.05	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.64 0.42 0.50 0.69 0.66 0.51 0.42 0.67	2.7 1.1 2.5 3.3 3.0 2.1 1.6 2.8

# FRIENDSHIP.

			Аррња	RANCE.		RESI ON E		Ажи	ONIA.	Nite			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8441 8972 9161 4302 9613 9967 10491	Feb. 1, 1914 May 11, 1914 Aug. 16, 1914 Oct. 12, 1914 Nov. 10, 1914 Feb. 1, 1915 May 4, 1915 Aug. 10, 1915 Nov. 15, 1915	0 0 0 0.2 0.1	0 0 0	Veg. Veg. 0 Slight Veg. Slight	0.6 0.6 0 0.2 0.3 1.1 0 0.2	11.4 9.0 6.9 7.2 5.6 10.3 7.7 13.9 9.9	6.8 4.5 5.4 4.6 8.4 5.0	.0070 .0050 .0034 .0014 .0006 .0158 .0020 .0056 .0030	.0050 .0062 .0078 .0064 .0064 .0074 .0058	0.38 0.34 0.09 0.06 0.06 0.44 0.24 0.05 0.37	0.0003	1.73 1.50 1.15 1.15 1.05 1.71 1.45 1.83 1.88	2.7 2.7 1.7 1.8 3.0 3.7 2.7 4.0 3.1

#### FRYEBURG.

		APPRA	RAIFCE.			DUB TAP-	Азок	MEA.	Nite			
DATE OF COLLEGE FOR.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albeminoid.	Witrates.	Whether.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
9052 Jan. 19, 1914 8379 April 28, 1914 8300 June 13, 1914 9215 Oct. 36, 1914 9443 Dec. 19, 1914 9543 Jan. 19, 1915 9837 April 19, 1915 July 19, 1915 10907 Oct. 26, 1915 11093 Dec. 19, 1915	00000000	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Clarght Slight O O Slight O Slight	•	54658306274	210888 111525 1155	0006 0004 0004 0008 0004 0008 0002 0006 0002	0040 0028 0040 0048 0040 0048 0068 0038 0060 0048 0038	Trace	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0 15 0 09 0 07 0 06 0 08 0 07 0 11 0 10 0 03 0 07 0 06	0.9 1.2 1.0 1.0 1.0 0.6 1.2 0.6

#### GARDINER.

The source of this supply is still Cobbosseecontee Stream, and no change has been made in the location of the intake. During the two years, covered by this report, the water district and the public have been warned of the danger of pollution of the water by owners of motor boats, and by contaminated surface wash. The water district has paid all possible attention to the maintenance of sanitary conditions about the cottages and houses on the watershed. In spite of this B. Coli appeared in the water in two instances during 1915.

The possibilities of danger from this supply had been recognized by the trustees of the water district, and they had recommended filtration of the water to the city in their 1913 report. At the present time the water district is installing slow sand filters near the intake to purify this water. These filters should be ready for operation early in the spring of 1916, and should yield a safe and satisfactory water. It would appear that the filters were installed none too early, and the public spirit of the trustees of the water district is to be commended in starting such an expensive work without the incentive of an epidemic of water-borne disease behind them. Their action will undoubtedly prevent occurrence of any such trouble.

### GARDINER.

GORHAM.

			Arra	RANCE.		он Е	DUB VAP- TION,	Азын	OWLA.	Niva	0980		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Proc.	Albuantnoid	Nitrates.	Nurtes.	Chlorine.	Hardnes.
8896 8826 9197 9553	Jan. 12, 1914 April 27, 1914 July 23, 1914 Oct. 20, 1914 Jan. 21, 1915 April 17, 1915 July 19, 1915 Oct. 26, 1915	000	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Veg. Woody 0 Slight Slight Slight Veg. Slight	0 8 1 0 1 7 1 2		17 16 15 18 14 08 09	0010 0002 0014 0006 0008 0006 0006 0012	0082 0058 0078 0076 0060 0076 0058 0122	Trace Trace Trace Trace Trace Trace Trace Trace Trace	0 0001 0 0	0.17 0 20 0 17 0 21 0 18 0 20 0 22 0 20	1.1 1 0 1 2 1 4 1 2 0 6 1 2

#### GUILFORD.

			Арриа	RANCE.		ON I	idub Evap- Tion.	Аммо	ONIA.		ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albumtnotd.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8385 9073 9200 9549 9815	Jan. 20, 1914 April 28, 1914 Sept. 16, 1914 Oct. 22, 1914 Jan. 20, 1915 April 14, 1915 July 20, 1915 Nov. 1, 1915	0 0.1 0 0.3 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Moldy Slight Gramy Slight Veg. Veg. Veg.	1.2 0.9 0.7 0.3 0.9 1.2 1.1	6.2 5.7 6.0 6.0 6.0 5.7	4.4 4.7 3.3 4.3 4.5 3.9 2.9 3.0	.0154	.0108 .0136 .0140 .0158 .0260	0 Trace 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	0.17 0.15 0.12 0.12 0.14 0.12 0.12 0.12	4.1 4.0 3.2 1.8 5.0 4.1 3.4 4.0

## HALLOWELL.

The source of supply for this city remains the same as in the past. The analyses of the past two years have shown the water in much poorer physical condition than in the past. The degree of turbidity has been higher and more persistent than before, and there has been greater evidence of surface wash finding its way into the system without much sedimentation in the impounding reservoir.

This supply is in such condition that the best of care needs to be given to the sanitary conditions about the reservoir. Any pollution of the surrounding surface of the ground will evidently find its way almost at once into the distribution system.

This water has not been in a satisfactory condition during the past two years, although it has remained safe to drink. The water company should look into the matter of improving this supply at once, as, if the amount of deterioration in physical condition for the past two years continues the water will soon become physically unfit to drink, even though the actual pollution of the water by sewage wastes be absent.

HALLOWELL

			Арреа	RANCE.		RESI ON E	PUN VAP- TION.	Азице	MEA.	Nyes			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Witrates.	Whrites	Chlorine.	Hardness
8349 8598 8772 9063 9155 9406 9540	Oct. 19, 1915	1 3 2 4 0 8 0 . 5 7 2 0 2 1 0 2 2 0 2	Clay Clay Veg. Veg. 0 Clay Clay Clay Clay Clay Earthy	Vog- Granny Yeg. Veg. Granny Moldy Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	1.6 1.7 1.7 1.7 1.7 1.7 1.7 1.7 1.7 1.7 1.7	16	1504948813536	0026 0008 0012 0008 0 .0034 0014 0012 0020 0016 0024 0032	0186 0192 0200 0176 0182 0322 0216	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0.01 Trace Trace 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 40 0 27 0 23 0 22 0 37 0 48 0 18 0 35 0 34 0 42 0 56	153712313711694278

### HARRINGTON.

			Аррва	AMOB.		Russ on E	VAP-	Улис	WEAL.	Nita	oesiy a		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor	Color.	Total	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminod	Nitrates.	Nikethen.	Charine.	Hardness.
9874 9252 9614 9886 10522	Feb. 5, 1914 May 12, 1914 July 27, 1914 Nov. 1, 1914 Feb. 3, 1915 April 24, 1915 Aug. 18, 1915 Nov. 6, 1915	0 0 0 0 2	0000	0 0 0 0 0 Veg.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 1	7.1 6.8 7.2 7.8 6.0 7.4 7.0	5 5 6 6 7 6 6 7 4 7 8	0006 0008 0002 0002 0004 0002 0002	0026 0024 0024 0012 0010 0010 0046 0010	0 09 0 07 0 06 0 09 0 07 0 07 0 06 0 07	O O O O O O O	0.68 0.67 0.67 0.71 0.71 0.70 0.68 0.75	2.7 4.0 8.1 8.7 2.7 2.7 2.7

### HARTLAND.

-			Аэрца	RANCE.		ow I	DUE VAR- FION-	Anthro	MEL.	Nith			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed	Free.	Afbuminoid.	Nitrates.	Mtrition.	Chlorine.	Hardbess
8420 8856 9266 9626 9895 10422	Feb. 4, 1914 May 5, 1914 July 25, 1914 Nov. 5, 1914 Feb. 8, 1915 April 28, 1915 Aug. 3, 1915 Nov. 8, 1915	0000	0 0 0 0 0 0	Woody Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	1 7 1 6 1 4 1 1 1 2 1 1 9 1 6	3 7 2 8 2 6 2 3 4 2 6 2 2 3 2 3 2 3 3 4 3 5 6 3 5 6 5 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6	2 2 1.5 1 1 1 6 2 1 1 0 1 2 1 0	0023 0018 0002 0028 0050 0010 0006 0012	0122 0098	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 25 0 12 0 15 0 16 0 22 0 17 0 13 0 15	1.3 1.0 0.8 1.6 1.2 1.0

### HEBRON.

The source of supply of this town remains the same as in the past. The improvement in the organic condition of this water, noted in my last report, has continued until the water now carries an organic content comparable with its low color. During the past two years this water has been a first-class drinking water.

HEBRON.

HOULTON.

			Arraa	RAIFCEL		OM F	DUN VAP-	Ампес	MLA.	Nitr			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed	Free	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Witettes.	Chlorine.	Hardres.
8716 9144 9304 9857 9493 9795 10036 10290 10742	April 20, 1914 June 80, 1914 July 6, 1914 Oct. 12, 1914 Nov. 13, 1914 Nov 30, 1914 Jan. 11, 1915 April 12, 1915 May 81, 1915 July 18, 1915	0,8 0.8 0 2 0 0 6 0 0 2 0 0 2	Farthy 0 Veg. and Rust 0 0 0 0	Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Slight Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	2 5 1 0 8 3	7 8 9 7 1 0 7 1 5 5 7 9 0 1 5 7 9 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	545 6854739242	0008 0012 0008 0008 0012 0008 0006 0042 0020 0006 0038 0012	0078 0102 0114 0080 0110 0150 0082 0126 0100 0262 0156	Trace O O O O O Trace O Trace O Trace Trace Trace	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0 14 0 27 0 21 0 19 0 27 0 17 0 10	2260 575030 575030 575030 575030 575030 575030

ISLAND FALLS.

			Arrea	RAIRCE.			PAF-	Ажно	MILA.	Nres		1	
Wamber.	Davis of Colliscopos.	Turbidiky.	Sediment.	Older	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Proc.	Albumboid	Wiraken.	Nitritos.	Chlorine.	Hardson.
9333 9170 9519 9909 10389	Jan. 12, 1914 April 15, 1914 Oct. 15, 1914 Jan. 14, 1915 April 29, 1915 July 27, 1915 Oct. 16, 1915	0 0 0 2 0 2	0 0 0 0 0 0	Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	2 2 3 0 1 7 1 6 8 5 7 8 5 8	658727464	8 3 3 6 5 0 0 0 2 2 3 1	0010 0016 0006 0012 0012 0006 0024	0060 0102 0078 0186	0 02 0 01 Trace 0 03 0 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0	0 12	3 4 7 2 5 4 5 1 2 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5

### KENNEBUNK.

			Арриа	LACE.	_		DUM VAP-		AIRO	Nera			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidky.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Totel.	Pixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrikes.	Chlorine.	Hardness
	12. 1914 18. 1914 5. 1914 7, 1914 27, 1914 10. 1914 12. 1915 23. 1915 3. 1915 24. 1915 12. 1915 1. 1915	0 1	0	Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog. Slight Vog. Slight Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog.	5 5 7 2 3 2 2 7 3 2 2 9 1 10 5 7 5 0 11 0	4 0 4 0 4 7 5 7 4 8 6	22222222222222222222222222222222222222	.0022 0004 0008 0012 0004 0012 0014 0002 0024 0012 0014 0002	0074 0100 0088 0098 0104 0060 6078 6078 0140 0138 0114 0308 0186 0182	O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0 45 0 36 0 38 0 40 0 42 0 47 0 47 0 40 0 28 0 42 0 42 0 45 0 45 0 44 0 50	158084 15084 115601 118001 11801

### KEZAR FALLS.

			APPRAI	LANCE.		ON E	PION PAP-	Axne	ONEA.	Nite	ogist å	1	
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Placed.	Free.	Albuminotd	Nitrates.	Witzike.	Chlorine.	Hardsen.
9288 9596 9951 10468	May 18, 1914 Aug. 8, 1914 Nov. 9, 1914 Feb. 1, 1915	<b>E</b> 0000	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1	37 24 43	24 29 29 29 19 24	0008 0002 0 0006 0018 0002 0	0010 0012 0030 0030 0018 0044 0024	0 01 0 01 0 027 0 0 0 Trace	O Trace	0 14 0 12 0 15 0 10 0 14 0 16 0 08 0 08	13 19 22 13 12 14 1.4

### KINGFIELD.

			Appra	rance.	_	ON I	DUM VAP- TION.	Anne	MIA.	Nyme			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albemstnoid.	Nikrates.	Nurther.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8400 8675 8822 9194 9447 9583 9619 10145 10297 10849	April 14, 1915 June 17, 1915	00000	0 0 0 0 Veg. 0 0 Rust 0	O Ciramy O O O Veg. O Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	06801281 0281 118187	323254769240	2020807711215	0004 0008 0004 0014 0016 0006 0006 00012 0006 0004 0038 0014	0072 0095 0052 0074 0024 0052 0064 0182 0076 0158 0050 0066	Trace 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace 0	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0 065 0 05 0 05 0 05 0 05 0 12 0 07 0 06 0 04 0 04 0 04	1.5 1.2 1.6 1.6 1.0 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5

### KITTERY

#### LEWISTON.

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		Arr	KARANCII.			Dum Var- Pion.	Aame	Mila.	Nite			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Odor.	Coloe.	Total	Flred.	Free.	Albumtnold	Nitratos.	Nitritor	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8366 8556 8798 9237 9393 9559 9873 10032 10374 10658	July 27. 1915	0 9 Ves 0	Gramy O Gramy O Gramy O O O Gramy O O O Gramy O Vog. O Slight O	0 3 1 2	401334003333333333333333333333333333333	2 4 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 5 3 1 0 0	0022 0024 0014 0020 0006 0014 0012 0012 0004	0098 0102 0096 0124	0 Trace 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 27 0 21 0 21 0 21 0 22 0 22 0 23 0 23 0 20 0 24 0 20	1 3 1 0 1 2 7 2 0 1 0 7 1 2 3 0 0 7

LIMERICK.

			Appra	RANCE.		RESION E		Anne	ONIA.	Nitr A			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8507 8986 9417 9594 9954 10484	Feb. 19, 191 May 20, 191 Aug. 18, 191 Dec. 14, 191 Jan. 31, 191 May 10, 191 Aug. 11, 191 Nov. 27, 191	4 0.7 4 0 4 0 5 0 5 0.2 5 0	0	0 0 0	0 0.2 0 0.2 0.2 0.1	3.3 8.9 11.1 11.3 11.0 11.5 11.1 6.1	7.5 8.7 10.0 9.8 8.8 7.3	.0002 .0004 .0002 .0008	.0034 .0028 .0030 .0030	0.05 0.06 0.07	0.0002 0 0 0	0.58 0.58 0.75 0.63	1.3 4.8 5.4 7.5 6.0 6.1 8.0 2.4

## LIMESTONE.

This is a new supply for us, the first sample coming from the water company in April, 1914. No information is available as to its source, aside from the fact that the water comes from a brook,—a fact borne out by the seasonal variations in the character of the water.

During the past two years this water has been in good condidtion to use for all demestic purposes.

LIMESTONE.

			Appea	RANCE.		RESI ON E	VAP-	Ами	ONIA.	N1TR			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8784 9460 9668	Dec. 22, 1914 Feb. 20, 1915 April 13, 1915 July 12, 1915	0 0 0 2.8	0 0 0 0 Earthy 0	Slight	1.3 0.9 0 0.2 4.8 7.0 1.7	11.0 12.6 12.0 10.7 6.7 9.2 12.7	9.8 10.4 9.4 3.6	.0012 .0006 .0006 .0022 .0006	.0062 .0038 .0202 .0158	0.023 0.08 0.06 0	0 0 0 0 0	0.35 0.47	5.8 8.1 8.3 6.5 1.6 4.2 7.5

# LINCOLN.

The source of supply for this town is from a lake in the forest, five miles from the village. The water had been in first-class condition until the first of the winter in 1915, when the main from the lake froze, and was not thawed and re-

paired. Instead water was pumped into the system from a brook which flowed through the village, and past a number of houses before reaching the temporary intake.

Examination of this water showed it to be in very bad physical condition, and to show both bacteriological and chemical evidences of contact with sewage wastes. B. coli were present in lc. c. of the water constantly. The health officer was warned of the condition, and told to advise boiling the water.

In the spring of 1915, after the ground thawed, the main was repaired, and the water has since been in its usual good condition.

One result of the use of this temporary, and polluted, supply was the submission of many samples from the discarded wells of the town; and analysis showed the wisdom of their being discarded, as most of them were polluted.

					Аррва	rance.			DUB VAP- TION.	Амию	NIA.	Nitr Al			
Number.		LECTI		Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummotd.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8069	Jan.	17,	1914	0	0	Veg.	3.7	4.5	2.5	.0026	.0162	0	0	0.17	1.3
8412	May	4,	1914	0	0	Veg.	2.7	3.9	1.9	.0030	.0100	0	0	0.12	8.0
8920	Aug.	6,	1914	0.3	0	Veg.	1.6 1.2	4.1	1.7	.0032	.0126	0	0	0.10	1.4
9228	Oct.	27,	1914	0_	0	Veg.	1.2	2.8	1.5	.012	.0130	Ŏ	_ 0	0.10	1.0
<b>*95</b> 57	Jan.		1915		Earthy	Moldy	3.0	4.9	2.8	.0066			Trace	0.12	1.2
<b>*9</b> 564	Jan.	25,	1915	2.4	Earthy	Moldy Veg. and	3.0	5.3	3.5	.0066	.0166	Trace	T.ace	0.12	1.2
9822	April	17.	1915	1.7	Earthy	Moldy	9.0	3.8	1.4	.0200	.0250	0	0	0.20	1.2
10366	July	26,	1915	0	0	Veg.	3.1	3.5	1.0	.0004	.0190	Trace	0	0.17	1.4
10823	Oct.	<b>30</b> ,	1915	<b>0.2</b>	0	Veg.	2.6	2.3	1.0	.0016	.0156	Trace	0	0.10	1.0

LINCOLN.

## LISBON FALLS.

The supply of this town comes from driven wells, as formerly. The only change in the system during the past two years has been in two increases in the number of the wells. The water remains in its former first-class condition.

<sup>\*</sup> Temporary Emergency Supply.

LISBON FALLS.

			Appra	rance.		ON I	DUE VAP- TION.	Ama	ONIA.		INGEN IS		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummold.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8859 9259 9601	May 12, 19 July 27, 19 Nov. 3, 19 Feb. 2, 19 May 4, 19 Aug. 4, 19 Nov. 15 19	14 0 14 1.7 14 0 15 0 15 0	0 0 Rust 0 0 0 0	Tar 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 5.0 0 0 0 0	10.7 10.6 11.3	9.6 9.7 10.1 10.8 8.4 7.7 8.7	.0002 .0004 .0004 .0002 .9008 0	.0018 .0080 .0044 .0024 .0046 .0010 .0036 .0024 .0040	Trace Trace 0 Trace 0.01 0 Trace 0.03	0 0 0 0 C Trace 0.0001	0.49 0.46 0.50 0.49 0.48 0.48 0.53 0.50 0.54	4.1 6.1 5.4 6.0 6.0 4.7 10.0 6.1 5.7

#### LIVER MORE FALLS.

	_		Арриа	rance.		ON I	IDUE EVAP- TION.		ONIA.	NITE	ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8387 8621 8825 9235 9396 9571	July 26, 191 Nov. 2, 191	4 0 4 0 4 0 5 0 5 0 5 0 5 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Slight  0 Slight  0 Grassy Grassy  0 Veg.  0 Slight Grassy	0.2 0.2 0.2 0.6 0 0.2 1.1 0.2 0.6 0.2	3.2	2.3 1.4 1.8 1.4 2.4 1.8 2.3 1.0 0.8 0.5	.0006 .0004 .0012 .0008 .0006 .0012 .0014 .0012 .0020 .0006 .0068 .0018	.0066 .0080 .0116 .0108 .0098 .0114 .0102 .C086	0 0 0 0 Trace 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.22 0.18 0.16 0.20 0.25 0.26 0.20 0.17 0.20 0.19	1.9 1.3 0.9 1.0 1.5 1.5 1.8 1.0 1.3 1.1

## LUBEC.

The effect of the increased population of the watershed of the springs, which furnish the source of the supply of this town, which was noted in my last report is to be noted in an increased degree in the samples of the last two years. The springs have also been receiving more surface wash than in years past, and so have carried a slight degree of turbidity pretty constantly. The water has, however, been free from pollution, and has remained a safe drinking water.

If the surface wash and increasing effect of population continues there will be some change necessary in the method of protection of these springs.

LUBEC.

			Аррва	Bance.		ON E	DUE VAP- TION.	Амм	ONIA.	Nite	ogen B		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8450 8853 9251 9642 9880 10506	Feb. 2, 1914 May 11, 1914 July 27, 1914 Nov. 2, 1914 Feb. 9, 1915 April 26, 1915 Aug. 16, 1915 Nov. 10, 1915	0.6 0.3 0.2 1.7 0.7	U	0 0 0 0 Bitters Slight 0	0.2 1.4 1.6 0.8	15.1 16.0 15.5 17.2 12.5 14.6 15.2 15.6	11.9 13.6 7.8 10.5 8.8	.0002 .0002 .0002 .0024 .0004	.0040 .0052 .0048 .0088 .0028 .0044	0.30 0.44 0.32 0.17 0.18 0.28 0.28 0.32	Trace Trace Trace 0.0010 Trace 0 Trace	1.63 1.90 1.85 1.77 1.42 1.87 1.85	5.5 8.1 7.0 11.3 5.2 7.7 10.2 5.7

# MACHIAS.

The supply of this town comes from the Machias River. The water has been free from evidences of pollution during the past two years. It has, at times, carried a very high color and vegetable content, so that its use might cause complaint from a physical point of view.

This supply, coming as it does from a large river, even though above the point of navigation, is one that needs careful watching, as growth of population on the watershed above the intake will result in such pollution of the water as will render filtration necessary in the future.

MACHIAS.

			APPEA	rance.		on I	DUB VAP- TION.	Ажм	ONIA.	Nitr			
Number	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8316 8570 8721 9143 9392 9494	Oct. 2. 1915	0.6 0.2 0.6 0.6 0.1 0.4	000000000	Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	5.5 5.0 4.0 2.6 9.0 3.3 3.5 8.0 10.5	4.7 3.3 3.4 3.8 3.0 5.5 4.0 3.2 2.2 3.9 3.6 5.0	2.4 1.5 1.8 2.0 1.6 2.5 2.0 2.0 1.3 1.5 1.0	.0018 .0018 .0012 .7012 .0006 .0014 .0006 .0012 .0010 .0006	.0082 .0100 .0092 .0086 .0154 .0114 .0078 .0222 .0194 .0124	0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.25 0.15 0.13 0.22 0.25 0.45 0.36 0.23 0.19 0.21 0.28 0.30	1.3 0.9 1.2 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.0

### MADISON.

This town still takes its water from the Kennebec River. Late in 1915 arrangements were in hand for the Village Corporation to take over the water system of the Madison Water Company, and, combining with the town of Anson, obtain its water supply from Hancock Pond in the town of Embden.

The water supply of this town had long been under suspicion. Not only was the water taken from one of our large rivers, but there seemed to be a possibility of pollution of the water by the town of Madison itself, together with the town of Anson, on the opposite side of the river.

However the laboratory tests failed to show the presence of B. coli until the first of March, 1915. Since that time they have been constantly present in the water.

There had been considerable typhoid fever present in Madison late in 1914 and early in 1915. The local health authorities became convinced that the water was to blame, and complaint was made to the Public Utilities Commission that the water was impure. The Commission made an investigation through their chief engineer, and the water samples were examined at this office.

The investigation developed the following general conditions connected with this supply:—The sewers of the town of Madison all emptied into the Kennebec River below the dams. The intake of the Madison Water Company was located above the dam, and about at the head of the flowage of the dam. Since the trouble with this supply in 1909 the water company had extended their intake up the river, nearly to the point where their old upper intake was located.

Some of the houses in the northern part of the village of Madison were outside of sewer connections, and these houses drained, by surface drainage, into the river above the dam, Rowell Brook, entering the river slightly above the intake, carried some of this surface drainage.

The town of Anson was unsewered. The surface drainage of the town entered the river either directly over the banks of the river, or was brought into the river by two brooks, both entering above the dam. Of these two Getchell Brook was the larger, carried the most drainage pollution, and entered the river near the west corner of the dam. A number of houses

on the Anson side of the river had privies practically overhanging the river.

The question arose whether the pollution of the water came from the towns farther up river, or from the towns of Anson and Madison themselves. The current in the river would seem to be such as to carry the drainage from both Rowell and Getchell brooks away from the intake. The only sewer on the upper river was a small one, serving about 75 people, at Bingham. The water company had been warned of impending trouble when Bingham should become sewered, and was prepared to sterilize the water when this occurred.

Water samples, taken by the engineer of the Commission above the flowage from the dam, showed no evidence of contamination. All samples taken in the mill pond, at the intake, and from the taps showed the presence of B. coli. The analyses indicated that the water from Rowell Brook probably could affect the intake, and it was possible that, on a filling pond, contamination from Getchell Brook might come as far up as the intake.

It was evident that the trouble lay, as it did in 1909, in the pollution of the towns water supply by the town itself. The Commission ordered the water company to furnish pure water, either by use of a new source of supply or by filtering the river water. Financially the latter was the wise course, and the Company prepared to install a modern filter. This the people of Madison did not want, and they requested the Commission to have the water company suspend operations on a filter until they should decide whether or not to purchase the plant of the water company. This action was finally taken, and arrangements made for the union with the town of Anson to obtain a pure water supply from Hancock Pond.

At the present time the river water is in use in the mains of the town of Madison. Construction of the pipe line is to begin in the spring, but, until its completion the river water must remain in use.

It is interesting to note that here is an instance of a water supply which is not constantly polluted. The pollution is caused by surface wash from the two towns about the millpond During dry weather the wastes accumulate, and are washed into the river by the first heavy rains. After the first thorough washing of the top of the ground the water is free from pollution to any extent until after the next period of dry weather. Thus the first of a rising river caused pollution while the height of the flood and its fall did not.

MADISON.

			Аррва	rance.			DUE VAP- PION.	Амис	ONIA.	NITR	ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8724 9108 9507 9691	July 12, 19	14   0.3 14   0 14   0 15   0.3 15   0.9 15   0.2 15   0.3	0 0 0 0 Veg. 0	Veg. Veg. Slight Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	2.0 1.5 1.6 3.8 2.7 2.6 10.0	3.9 3.7 3.5 3.2 3.5 4.0 4.1 3.5 5.0 3.8	1.5 2.0. 2.0 2.0 2.2 2.3 1.6 1.5	.0022 .0008 .0014 .0008 .0012 .0012 .0006 .0012	.0112 .0100 .0064 .0076 .0100 .0114 .0118	0 0 0 Trace 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0.09 0.11 0.06 0.06 0.11 0.10 0.09 0.03 0.02 0.09	1.1 1.7 1.3 1.5 1.6 1.6 1.2 1.3

### MARS HILL AND BLAINE WATER COMPANY.

			Аррва	RANCE.		-	DUE VAP- FION.	Амм	ONIA.		OGEN		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummold.	Nitrates.	Niteritor.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
9306 9669 10011	Aug. 13, 1914 Nov. 14, 1914 Feb. 23, 1915 May 19, 1915 Nov. 9, 1915	0 0 0	Veg. 0 0 0 0	Veg. Veg. Veg.	1.3 1.4 0.1 1.6 1.8	7.8 6.9 6.5 5.1 7.7	5.6 6.4 5.7 2.1 4.8	.0006 .0014 .0036 .0008	.0092 .0040 .0080	0 Trace 0.05 0.03 0.01	0.0005 0	0.06 0.12 0.12 0.14 0.09	6.2 4.5 4.7 2.7 4.7

### MECHANIC FALLS.

			Arrea	LANCE.		Rma on E	TAP	Aine	OWIA.	North	ogasi i		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Calor.	Total	Fined.	Prec.	Albuminotd	Nitrates.	Nikrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.

#### MEXICO-MEXICO WATER COMPANY.

			Агра	MANCE.		ON I	LDUB EVAP- TION.		OSITA.	Nym			
Number.	Davis or Collaborion.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color	Total.	Fixed	Phee.	Albuminoid.	Ntrates.	Nitrikes.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8417 8873 9253 9588 9903 10438	Jan. 19, 1914 May 5, 1914 July 30, 1914 Nov. 2, 1914 Feb. 1, 1915 April 28, 1915 Aug. 5, 1915 Nov. 15, 1915	0 5 0 2 0 7 0 1	0	Slight Vog. Veg. Vog. Veg. Veg. Veg.	1 3 1 2 3 3 8 0 1 6 3 1 1 7	57	3 4 1 3 3 1 4 1 3 8 2 2 3 7 3 4	0012 0008 0016 0006 0008 0008 0004	0056 0098 0168 0146 0088 0136 0150 0072	Trace Trace Trace Trace Trace	0 0 0	0 12 0 10 0 03 0 28 0 18 0 08 0 13 0 20	1 3 1 3 1 6 2 2 1 9 1 3 1 6

### MEXICO-BINFORD WATER SYSTEM.

			APPR	DANCE.		ow I	LDUR Sylp- Pron,	Assa	ORITA.	•	OGENE A		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminold.	Nikrtes.	Nik-ties.	Chlorine.	Bardness.
8476 8084 9318 9629 9958 10465	Feb. 16, 1914 May 18, 1914 Aug. 17, 1914 Nov. 16, 1914 Feb. 8, 1915 May 10, 1915 Aug. 10, 1915 Nov. 8, 1916	00000000	000000	Site of the Control o	0	60 60 62 74	57 556 550 64 554	0010 0008 0 0004 0020 0002 0004 0002	0018 0030 0026 0018 0020 0004 0024 0022	0 14 0 09 0 08 0 08 0 27 0 07 0 14 0 09	0 0 Trace	0 81 0 23 0 79 0 32	30799 2292 374 30

# MILBRIDGE.

			Appea	rance.		on I	ideb Evap- Fion.	Амм	ONIA.	Nitr A	ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8452 8964 9250 9604 9879 10514	Feb. 2, 1914 May 11, 1914 July 28, 1914 Nov. 2, 1914 Feb. 1, 1915 April 26, 1915 Aug. 17, 1915 Nov. 9, 1915	0 0 0 0.7 0	0 0 0 0 Rust 0 0	Slight Slight 0 Slight Veg. 0	0 0 0 0 2.5 2.1 0	4.4 3.4 3.5 5.1 4.6 3.4 4.1 3.8	3.3 2.8 2.9 4.3 2.9 1.7 2.4 2.5	.0002 .0006 .0004 .0014 .0008 .0008 0	.0028 .0054 .0106 .0026	0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	0.67 0.67 0.66 0.69 0.74 0.58 0.63 0.58	1.6 1.3 1.4 2.4 2.2 1.3 2.6 1.2

# MILLINOCKET.

			Аррва	RANCE.		ON E	DUB VAP- TION.	Амис	ONIA.	Nitr A			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8330 8676 8850 9121 9365 9509	Oct. 4 1915	0.2 0.2 0 0 0 0.1 0.2	0 0 0 0	Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	3.2 3.4 3.3 3.1 2.3 3.0 2.9 3.5 2.9 5.6 2.5	4.0 3.6 3.5 3.4 3.7 2.8 3.8	2.0 2.0 1.7 1.7 1.8 2.0 1.1 1.5 1.0	.0006 .0018 .0006 .0008 .0008 .0012 .0014	.0114	O O Trace O O	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0.07 0.05 0.09 0.05 0.04 0.09 0.05 0.11 0.06 0.08 0.04	1.3 1.7 1.2 1.3 1.5 1.1 1.6 1.0

# MILO.

			Аррва	RANCE.		on I	IDUE EVAP- TION.	Амм	ONIA.		ogen 15		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminold.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8730 9115 9500	April 13, 1914 Ju y 7, 1914 Oct. 5, 1914 Jan. 11, 1915 April 4, 1915 July 5, 1915	0 0 0 0 0.2	0 0 0 0 0 0	Veg. Veg. O Veg. Slight Veg. Veg. Veg.	2.7 2.7 1.7 1.7 1.4 3.6 2.5 3.2	2.4 4.0 3.5	2.1 2.1 1.4 1.5 2.3 1.4 1.3	.0020 .0014 .0016 .0006 .0026 .0012 .0002	.0088 .0098 .0106 .0148	0 0 Trace 0.01 Trace 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0.11 0.16 0.10 0.11 0.26 0.10 9.10 0.16	1.3 1.7 1.4 1.3 1.2 1.2 1.0

# MILO JUNCTION.

As at the time of my last report this town takes its water supply from the Piscataquis River, and within 8 miles of the outfall of the Dover and Foxcroft sewers. Naturally the water supply of this town shows up much poorer than does that of Dover. In fact the added effect of the sewage of these two towns is very noticeable even in the chemical analysis.

This is another of our polluted supplies from the large rivers of the State. This water has been safe to use for drinking at no time during the past two years.

			Appra	RANCB.		ON I	IDUB EVAP- TION.		ONIA.	Nitr	ogen B		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8731 9114 9501	April 13, 1914 July 7, 1914 Oct. 5, 1914 Jan. 11, 1915 April 4, 1915 July 5, 1915	0 0 0 0.2 0.2	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Veg Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	3.2 3.7 1.7 1.5 1.6 3.6 3.6 2.8	4.0 4.5 3.0	2.6 2.4 2.2 2.0 3.1 2.0 1.9 2.6	.0014 .0012 .0012	.0122 .0108 .0129 .0102 .0112 .0120 .0160 .0148	0 0 Trace 0.02 0.01	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0.23 0.14	1.6 1.3 1.7 1.8 1.5 1.9

MILO JUNCTION.

## Monhegan.

During the spring of 1915 a system of driven wells was put into operation to supply water for the summer colony, and analyses were made of these waters during the three summer months. The wells are 300 feet away from the nearest possible source of pollution, and are thoroughly protected against the entrance of surface wash. They are all pumped by a gasoline engine. The water from this supply has been first-class, and in marked contrast to the water from the shallow wells on the island.

MONHEGAN.

			Агрва	rance.		on I	IDUE EVAP- TION.	Амм	ONIA.	•	logen Ls		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminotd.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
10489 10490 10593 10594	July 7, 1915	0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 Slight 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 Veg.	0 0 0 0 0.3 1.0	17.1 17.7 19.7 18.6 19.0 18.4 19.2	13.4 13.6 14.0 12.9 13.8	.0004 .0002 0 0 .0002 .0002	.0018 .0040 .0044 .0026 .0026 .0028 .0084 .0058	0.04 0.04 0.04 0.04 0.04 0.03 0.03 0.03	Trace Trace 0 0 Trace	4.45 1	6.8 6.8 5.4 8.6 8.6 8.6 9.36 9.36 9.36

#### MONSON.

			Аррва	RANCE.		RESON E		Азсм	ONIA.	6	logen Le		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albumhoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8506 8983 9349 9636 9925 10470	Feb. 19, 1914 May 21, 1914 Aug. 17, 1914 Nov. 25, 1914 Feb. 9, 1915 May 3, 1915 Aug. 9, 1915 Nov. 29, 1915	0 0 27.2 0	0 0 0 0 Clay 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0.1	4.1 2.9 3.9 6.4 29.4 4.3 5.8 4.8	2.2 2.9 5.4 27.9 2.9 3.3	.0018 .0002 .0018 .0010 .0002	.0018	0.01 0 0.02 0.01 0.01 0.02 0.02 0.02	0 0 0 0 0	0.12 0.08 0.09 0.10 0.08 0.02 0.08 0.10	1.9 1.3 3.0 2.2 2.0 2.5

## NEWHALL.

This supply is taken from the Presumpscot River. As was noted in my last report this water is open to sewage pollution. During the past two years this pollution of the river has increased, as shown by the bacterial condition of the water. Not only is there opportunity of pollution of the supply from the drainage of the upper watershed of the river, between the intake and Sebago Lake, but a brook enters the river just above the intake, along which are privies, pig-pens, stables and cesspools, none of them over 1,500 feet from where the brook enters the river.

This latter condition was first mentioned by the owners of the plant in October, 1915, and examination of the brook water showed it to be grossly polluted. This water should be filtered, or at least sterilized, before being used for drinking purposes. This plant is not strictly a public water supply, but is used by the Du Pont Powder Company in their mill, and is used by their employees for drinking while at work. In its present condition this water is not a safe one to use for drinking.

NEWHALL.

			Аррва	rance.		on I	idue Evap- tion	Амм	ONIA.		ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8315 8717 9146 9490	Jan. 11, 1915 April 5, 1915 July 12, 1915	1.6 0.4 0 0.4 0.2 0.8	0 Earthy 0 0 0 0 0	Slight Veg. 0 Veg. Veg. Veg.	1.0 1.6 1.5 1.1 1.2 1.6 7.5 0.3	3.7	2.0 2.2 1.9 1.3 1.2 1.6 1.5	.0006 .0008 .0024 .0006 .0012 .0014 .0002	.0110 .0136 .0084 .0108 .0086	Trace 0 0 0 0 0 0.01 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.18 0.20 0.18 0.18 0.21 0.20 0.14 0.19	1.9 1.2 1.2 0.9 1.3 2.0

NEWPORT.

			Appea	RANCE.		on I	IDUE EVAP- TION.	Амм	ONIA.	NITE A	ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminold.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8576 8787	April 24, 1914 June 8, 1914 July 16, 1914 Oct. 10, 1914 Nov. 3C, 1914 Dec. 7, 1914 Jan. 19, 1915 April 22, 1915 May 31, 1915 June 7, 1915 July 30, 1915 Oct. 15, 1915	0 0 0.2 0 0 0.7 0.2 0.2 0.4	0 0 0 0 Veg.	Veg. Slight Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Grassy Veg.	1.2 1.3 1.3	6.3 6.2 5.0 5.0 3.7 5.9 8.0 6.5 5.8 5.2 7.2 6.5	2.6 3.5 2.6 1.8 2.5 5.4 4.3 2.8 2.9 3.5 3.5 3.5	.0022 .0014 .0014 .0012 .0012 .0018 .0020 .0014 .0020 .0014	.0088 .0092 .0142 .0142 .0156 .0140 .0204 .0146 .0210 .0178 .0144 .0206	0 0.05 0 0 Trace 0.05 0.03 Trace Trace Trace Trace 0.013 0.015	00000000000	0.35 0.26 0.25 0.28 0.32 0.31 0.27 0.30 0.28 0.28 0.40 0.50	1 4 2.4 1.6 1.8 3.3 3.6 3.7 2.0 2.0 2.5 2.7

NEW SHARON.

This town has a double source of supply, one source from the Sandy River, and the other from a system of driven wells near the river bank. This latter system furnishes a first-class water,

and is the one reported to be in use as long as the wells yield enough water to meet the consumption demands of the village.

When the wells do not yield enough water the connection into the Sandy River is used. This river does not furnish a safe source of supply. Eight miles above the intake the sewage from two houses enters the river, and thirteen miles above the intake the sewage of the town of Farmington enters the river.

Twice, during the period covered by this report, the analyses have shown the river water to have been in use. The water samples have come from the local health officer, and he has been advised that the only way to keep this supply safe at all times is to further develop the well field, so as to meet all demands on the system, and to discontinue the use of the river water.

When the river water is in use the safety of the water from this supply, like that from all rivers flowing through settled localities, depends on the fortunate absence of disease organisms from the sewage entering the river above the intake.

As long as the water from the wells is the only one in use with this system the supply is first-class. With the river water in sole, or even in partial use, the supply does not furnish a safe water, and it should be boiled at such times before using it for drinking.

			Appea	RANCE.		RESI ON E		Ажи	ONIA.	Nite			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
9006 9340 9640 9973 10486	Mar. 9, 1914 May 22, 1914 Aug. 26, 1914 Nov. 20, 1914 Fel. 9, 1915 May 11, 1915 Aug. 11, 1915 Nov. 25, 1915	0.6 0 0 0.1 0.1	0 0 0 0 0 0	Moldy 0 Veg. Woody 0 0	0 0 2.8 1.8 0.2 0.2	9.2 5.9 4.8 10.8	8.2 7.5 3.3 3.1 8.0 8.4		.0086 .0036 .0080	0.02 Trace 0.04 0.02 0.01 0.05 Trace	0 0.0002 0 0 0 0	0.24 0.25 0.24 0.25 0.17 0.27 0.41 0.27	6.7 4.8 3.0 3.0 6.4 9.0

NEW SHARON.

## NORRIDGEWOCK.

The water from this supply has not been in quite as good general condition during the past two years, as it has been in

previous years. There has been more surface wash entering the supply, and at times, especially after heavy rains, there has been evidence of household wastes being brought into the supply with this wash. Sewage bacteria have not been found in the water; but the supply is one that requires careful attention to the surroundings of the source and watershed if its safety is to continue.

### NORRIDGEWOCK.

			Аррид	lrance.		ON I	idub Evap- Tion	Ами	ONIA.	Nitr A	ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummold.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8848 9232 9573 9861 10387	Jan. 22, 1914 May 5, 1914 July 27, 1914 Oct. 26, 1915 Jan. 26, 1915 July 27, 1915 Nov. 1, 1915	0 0.6 0 1.3 0.3	O O O Clay O Earthy	Slight Moldy 0 Veg. 0 Veg. Veg.	1.0 1.4 1.1 1.5 1.0 3.6 2.9 2.6	6.8 5.7 7.1 6.4 5.3 6.5 7.8 5.2	4.7 3.4 5.2 4.5 4.2 3.2 4.3 2.2	.0050 .0012 .0012	.0044 .0078 .0054 .0112 .0098	0.12 0.15 0.085 0.07 0.07 0.11 0.04 0.04	Trace 0.0003 0.0004 0 0 0.0010 0	0.65 0.62 0.68 0.88 0.52 0.63 0.64	1.6 2.4 3.0 1.9 2.4 2.6

#### NORTH BERWICK.

		•	Appea	rance.		on I	IDUB EVAP- TION.	1	ONIA.	Nitr	OGMN 月 S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8303 8781 9136 9512	Jan. 12, 1915 April 6, 1915 July 18, 1915	0 0.3 0.2 0 0.3 0.2	0 0 0 0 0	Veg. Veg. Slight 0 Slight Veg. 0 Veg.	1.2 3.4 0 1.4 1.4 3.7 1.9 2.1	6.7 4.1 3.7	4.8 3.0 4.1 3.1 2.7 3.0 2.5 3.3	.0008 .0004 .0002 .0006 .0006 .0006	.0092 .0046 .0152	0 0 0 0 Trace Trace Trace Trace	0 0 0 0 0	0.29 0.30 0.25 0.26 0.26 0.39 0.23	1.0 1.7 1.6 1.5 1.5

### NORTHEAST HARBOR.

			Арриа	Bance.		ON E	IDUM VAP- TION	Ажн	ONIA.	NITR			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8501 8754 9207 9574	Feb. 12, 1914 May 20, 1914 July 11, 1914 Oct. 22, 1914 Jan. 25, 1915 April 17, 1915 July 14, 1915 Oct. 16, 1915	0 0 0 0 0 0.2	0 0 0 0 0 0	Veg. Grassy Grassy Veg. Slight Slight Veg. Veg.	1.7 1.1 1.1 1.4 1.2 1.4 4.0 1.8	4.9 3.0 3.3 3.9 3.7 2.9 4.5 3.6	2.8 1.7 1.9 2.2 2.2 1.9 1.6	.0014 .0018 .0036 .0050	.0170 .0132 .0080 .0076	Trace Trace 0 0 0 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0.82 0.60 0.60 0.59 0.83 0.69 0.51 0.50	0.9 1.2 1.5 1.5 1.2

### NORTH NEW PORTLAND.

			Appea	RANCE.		ON E	DUE VAP- PION.	Ами	ONIA.		ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8467 8913 9271 9638 9904 10517	Feb. 1, 1914 May 12, 1914 July 29, 1914 Nov. 5, 1914 Feb. 6, 1915 April 22, 1915 Aug. 16, 1915 Nov. 13, 1915	00000	0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	0.1 0 0 0 0 0 0.1	4.1 3.3 4.0 6.9 3.6 3.3 4.4 4.6	3.2 2.8 3.1 6.0 2.8 2.2 2.5 3.4	.0004 .0602 0 .0004 .0002 .0006 .C008	.0034 .0022 .0016 .0022	0.01 Trace 0.030 0.02 Trace 0.02 0.01 0.02	0 0 0 0 0 0	0.035 0.06 0.06 0.11 0.07 0.07 0.15 0.06	1.4 2.1 3.3 1.6 2.1 2.3

# NORWAY.

			Аррва	RANCE.		ON I	idub Evap- Tion.	Амм	ONIA.	Nitr A	ogen B		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummold.	Nitrates.	Nitritos.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8405 8844 9255 9561 9870 10362	Jan. 27, 1914 May 4, 1914 July 27, 1914 Nov. 2, 1914 Jan. 25, 1915 April 26, 1915 July 26, 1915 Nov. 8, 1915	0.2 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	Veg. Grassy Veg. Slight Slight Grassy Grassy Veg.	1.1 0.7 1.1 1.0 0.7 1.1 1.6 1.3	4.8 4.0 3.3 3.6 4.6 3.4 3.0	3.0 2.5 1.6 2.3 2.8 1.7 1.2	.0028 .0004 .0002 .0014 .0012 .0008 .0004	.0112 .0140 .0102 .0102 .0096 .0120	O Trace O Trace O Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0	0.20 0.16 0.15 0.15 0.18 0.20 0.20 0.15	1.3 1.4 1.5 1.6 1.3

OAKLAND.

	·		Appra	rance.		ON I	IDUB EVAP- TION.		ONIA.		ogen B		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8348 8514 8588 8771 9168 9373 9529	July 19, 1915 Oct. 16, 1915	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0.2 0.1	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	Grassy Grassy Veg. Grassy Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Grassy Grassy Veg. Grassy Veg. Grassy Veg.	1.6 1.3 1.6 1.4 1.2 1.4 1.5 1.4 1.5 1.4 2.2 2.1 2.1	4.2 3.0 3.1 3.5 3.7 3.1 3.2 3.5 3.2 2.7 3.0	2.3 1.5 1.6 1.7 1.5 2.0 1.6 1.8 1.9 1.2 1.1	.0028 .0006 .0014 .0006 .0014 .0012 .0014 .0010 .0014 .0006 .0006	.0156 .0108 .0130 .0138 .0122 .0102 .0128 .0106 .0130 .0138 .0134 .0098 .0124 .0170	0 0 0 0 0 0 0.07 6 0 Trace Trace	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0.21 0.16 0.17 0.15 0.14 0.10 0.17 0.21 0.22 0.17 0.18 0.16 0.17 0.20	1.0 1.2 1.4 1.3 1.6 1.3 1.7 1.7 1.3 1.6

# OLD TOWN.

The source of supply for this city has continued to be the Penobscot River. The river, at the Old Town intake, is badly polluted, and the amount of the pollution has increased during the past two years, so that the water is now in even poorer condition than at the time of the last report. The matter of purification of this supply is now before the Public Utilities Commission, together with the Brewer supply. I am informed that the Bangor Railway & Electric Company, who own this supply, are intending to make a change in its source, and, until this change can be accomplished, are contemplating treatment of this water with liquid, or electrolytic chlorine.

In its present condition this water is one of the poorest in the State, and is not safe to use for drinking purposes.

# OLD TOWN.

			Аррва	RANCE.		ON I	IDUB EVAP- TION.	Ажм	ONIA.	Nitr As			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness
8326 8740 9112 9385 9389 9504	Dec. 6, 1914 Dec. 6, 1914 Jan. 10, 1915 April 4, 1915 July 6, 1915	0.2 0 0.3 0.2 0.2 0.2	0 0 0 0 0 0	Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Woody Veg. Veg. Veg.	7.0 3.4 3.3 2.6 4.5 4.4 2.8 3.4 4.2 5.2	5.8 3.9 4.4 5.1 7.0 5.7 6.1 4.4 4.1 6.7	2.3 20 1.8 2.2 3.7 2.9 3.4 1.7 1.5	.0014 .0008 .0006 .0008 .0014 .0014 .0012 .0012	.0136 .0144 .0160 .0156 .0142 .0134 .0166	Trace Trace 0 0.01 0 Trace 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	0.12 0.10 9.05 0.10 0.16 0.11 0.17 0.12 0.10 0.18	1.1 1.2 1.5 1.5 1.7 2.2 1.5

# ORONO.

			Аррва	rance.		ON I	IDIVE EVAP- TION.		ONIA.		NARO.		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8728 9119 9518	April 15, 1914 July 7, 1914 Oct. 6, 1914 Jan. 15, 1915 April 6, 1915	0 0 0 0.2 0.1	0 0 0 0 0 0	Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	7.0 3.8 2.3 1.4 1.6 4.5 3.7 3.6	4.5 3.7 3.7 3.2 3.6 4.3 3.1 3.2	1.7 1.5 1.6 1.7 2.1 2.0 1.3	.0024 .0016 .0006 .0009 .0012 .0020 .0008	.0142 .0164 .0117 .0138 .0176 .0174	0 0 0 Trace 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.25 0.20 0.17 0.25 0.26 0.24 0.19 0.17	1.0 1.3 1.6 1.8 1.3

## PATTEN.

			Арреа	rance.			IDUB VAP-	Амм	ONIA.		ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8491 8992 9281 9631 9979 10467	Feb. 17, 1914 May 18, 1914 Aug. 19, 1914 Nov. 9, 1914 Feb. 9, 1915 May 12, 1915 Aug. 9, 1915 Nov. 18, 1915	0 0 0 0 0 0.3	Earthy 0 Rust 0 Rust 0 Rust 0 0	0	0 0.1 0 0.1 0 0 0	10.7 14.4	11.6 9.4 4.8 6.6	.0008 .0002 0 .0006 .0014	.0026 .0028 .0024 .0022 .0034	0.12 0.06 0.08 0.12 0.11 0.28 0.12 0.09	0.0061 0 0 0.0001	0.35 0.36 0.29 0.35 0.32 0.60 0.43 0.41	

PEAKS ISLAND.

			Appra	RANCE.		RESI ON E		Axx	ONIA.	Nitr	ogen 3		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorino.	Hardness.
8500 8958 9285 9605 9985 10308 10455	Feb. 21, 1914 May 21, 1914 Aug. 12, 1914 Nov. 9, 1914 Feb. 2, 1915 May 13, 1915 July 16, 1915 Aug. 8, 1915 Nov. 15, 1915	000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	17.4 17.0 21.2 16.5 22.6 12.7 18.4	14.4 14.8 14.0 19.7 14.5 20.1 10.2 12.3 14.8	.0012 .0008 .0008 .0180 .0006	.0018 .0010 .0028 .0038 .0028 .0020	Trace 0.04 0 0.02 0.01 0.04 0.037 0.014 Trace	0 0 0 0.0002 0.0050 0.0001	1.77	8.1 8.9 12.0 7.5 11.2 5.7 9.8

#### PHILLIPS.

			Appra	rance.		ON E	DUE VAP- TION.	Аммо	PRIA.	Nite A			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitritor.	Chlorine.	Hardness
8414	Oct. 26, 1914 Dec. 8, 1914 Feb. 2, 1915 April 26, 1915 June 7, 1915 July 26, 1915 Nov. 1, 1915	0.2 0 0.8 0 0 0 0.2 0 0.2	Veg. 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Veg. Grassy Veg. Veg. Veg. Slight Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	3.7 1.9 1.6 1.6 1.6 2.9 2.6 2.8 2.4	4.0 2.9 2.7 2.7 3.8 3.0 3.0 2.9 2.7 3.1 3.5	2.2 1.8 1.2 1.3 2.5 1.8 1.2 1.5 1.5	.0016 .0010 .0006 .0022 .0006 .0012 .0012 .0018 .0008	.0074 .0078 .0122 .0108 .0096 .0108 .0104 .0136 .0138	0 0 0 0 Trace 0 0.01 0 Trace 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.13 0.05 0.05 0.05 0.07 0.10 0.10 0.06 0.04 0.05 0.05	1 0 1 .2 1 .5 1 .5 1 .5 1 .4 1 .3 1 .5

### PITTSFIELD.

The old source of supply of this town was from the Sebasti-cook River. As noted in my last report the water company was engaged in developing a spring water system, which it was hoped to have in operation early in 1914. It was not ready for operation in any form until the first of 1915. During the last year the samples from the water company have been from the spring water system entirely, although it was reported that the river water was still in partial use in mixture with the spring water. Samples from other parties showed this to be

the condition, although it is now reported that the spring system is fully developed and ready for sole use in this supply.

It is to be hoped that this is the condition, as the supply, with mixture of even 10% of river water, is unfit to drink.

PITTSFIELD.

			Арува	BANCE.		on E	DUB VAP- TION.	Asne	ONIA.		iogan J		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odce.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Witrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardson.
8341 8723 9148 9632 9685 9793 10137 10039	Jan. 14, 1914 April 20, 1914 July 7, 1914 Oct. 12, 1914 Jan. 17, 1915 Mar. 3, 1915 April 10, 1915 June 17, 1915 Nov. 19, 1915 Nov. 29, 1915	03300000	Veg. 0	Vog. Vog. Vog. O O Vog. Vog.	2 5 1 7 2 0 0 0 0 0 2 1	4.1 4.7 3.7 9.5 9.7 9.7	8 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 5 7 7 7 5 4 0	0024 0012 0006 0012 0008 0002 0010 0012 0004 6006	0228 0110 .0146 0206 0028 0036 0018 0030 0100 0122	Trace 0 0 0 0.06 0.06 0.03 0.06 0.02 0.06 0.02	0000000000	0 10 0.11 0 23 0 25	1.7 1.8 7.5 4.7 4.3

PORTLAND.

## PRESQUE ISLE.

There has been no change made in the source of supply of this town during the past two years. The supply is taken from Kennedy Brook, through an impounding reservoir, as long as this source will supply sufficient water. In case of inability of the Kennedy Brook supply to meet the demands water is pumped from Presque Isle Stream.

As was noted in the last report on this supply the water was very turbid after rains. The water company attributed this turbidity to wave action on the new walls of the reservoir, and so expected the condition to improve with time. On the contrary the condition became worse. Not only did heavy rainfall make the water too turbid to permit of its use, but evidence of sewage contamination of the water at such times began to appear, until we expected this water to become excessively turbid and to contain B. coli after each rainfall. It was thus evident that the condition was not one due, even in the main, to wave action in the reservoir, but was rather due to the entrance of polluted surface run-off from the surrounding land into the impounding reservoir.

During periods of heavy rainfall this water was essentially a polluted surface water, and unfit to drink. During dry periods it was essentially a ground water, very hard, but safe to drink. It was during this period of safety in the Kennedy Brook supply that the necessity would arise for the use of water from Presque Isle Stream.

The water from this stream, at the point where the intake is located, is unfit to drink. Physically it is also of poor quality owing to its high color and vegetable content.

No abatement of these conditions being obtained from the water company the people of the town of Presque Isle appealed to the Public Utilities Commission for remedy. The investigation, made by the engineer of the commission, found conditions as above described. The analyses of the water samples, taken during his investigation, were made at the laboratory. The commission decided against the water company, and ordered change to be made to a safe supply either through purification of the present supply or by use of an unpolluted source, stating in their opinion that a public water supply must not be safe to use *most* of the time, but all of the time.

PRESQUE ISLE.

RANGELEY

		ÁPPRA	RANCE.		ON E	DUE VAF- TION	Anno	MIA.		OGEST B		
DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminold.	Nitrates.	Nibritos.	Chlorine.	Hardsea.
8100 Jan. 28, 1914 8113 Jan. 29, 1914 8400 April 28, 1914 8785 July 14, 1914 8821 July 22, 1914 9208 Oct. 23, 1914 9398 Dec. 8, 1914 9562 Jan. 21, 1915 9866 April 21, 1915 10362 July 22, 1915 10342 Nov. 22, 1915	000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	Slight Vog. Slight Vog. O Vog. O Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog. Vog.	299 1198 1183 1198 1198 1198 1198 1198 11	8475006935069311	200 161 198 183 105 115 120	0024 0040 0008 0008 0018 0022 0012 0006 0012 0006 0002 0002	0080 0134 0100 0098 0103 0152 0080 0064 0076 0090 0098 0196	Trace Trace 0 0 0 Trace 0.0t 0 Trace Trace	0 0 0 0 Trace 0 0	0 08	110 12 13 12 15 00 9

#### RICHMOND.

The supply of this town is still taken from the Kennebec River, at a point where the water is not only polluted by the sewage of all of the towns on the upper river, but also by the sewage of Richmond itself.

As for many years past this water supply is unsafe to use for drinking purposes; but repeated warnings have had no effect in bringing about any change either in the source or purity of the water. It would appear that it will take a typhoid epidemic to bring this town to its senses in this matter, just as it has in the case of many other of our river towns.

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Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.  7 Jan. 5, 1914	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8307 8830 9102 9624	April 13, 1914 July 22, 1914 Oct. 3, 1914 Feb. 8, 1915 April 5, 1915 July 29, 1915	0 0.2 0 0.3 0.1	0 0 0 0 0 0	Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	2.9 1.6 2.0 1.7 2.0 2.7 5.3 4.5	6.5 4.4 5.4 6.3 8.8 5.0 6.5 4.8	3.3 2.6 2.3 4.0 4.0 2.7 2.9 2.0	.0022 .0026 .0008 .0012 .0016 .0012 .0010	.0114 .0136 .0100 .0118 .0140 .0168	Trace 0 0 0.01 Trace Trace 0 Trace	0 0 0 Trace Trace Trace 0.0001	0.25 0.21 0.22 0.73 0.87 0.30 0.21 0.35	1.7 2.1 2.1 1.8 1.9

### RUMFORD.

Up to November, 1914, the public water supply of this town came from the old water systems, owing to the failure to finish the construction work on the new system in contract time.

During this period the systems of the Union Construction Company and the old Water Company were joined and water taken from the surface supply of the former as far as possible, the water from the driven wells being used on the lower levels and when the surface supply proved too small.

The water from the Union Construction Company system was a safe and satisfactory water; that from the Rumford Falls Light & Water Company system was a safe water, but unsatisfactory on account of its high iron content. The mixture of the two waters gave a better water than that from the wells, but a poorer one than that from the surface supply.

In November, 1914, the first samples came to us from the new supply of the Rumford & Mexico Water District. The source of this supply is Zircon Brook, where a large impounding reservoir was formed by a dam. As was to be expected, while the pipe line was clearing up, and the upper layers of organic material in the reservoir site were passing into solution, the water contained considerable vegetable material in solution,

and carried considerable color. The condition has been improving, and the water should be a fine one in a short time.

The reservoir site and the drainage area of the brook are under sanitary control, and are free from pollution. Since the installation of the new system the water has been in safe and satisfactory condition to use for all domestic purposes.

RUMFORD.

	DATE OF		Аррва	rance.		ON I	idub Evap- Tion.	1	ONIA.	Nite A	ogen B		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8175 8446 8589 8861 9305 9401 9597 9918 10079 11416	June 10, 1914 July 28, 1914 Nov. 13, 1914 Dec. 8, 1914 Feb. 1, 1915 May 1, 1915 June 7, 1915 Aug. 2, 1915 Nov. 3, 1915	0.6 0.9 0.1 1.8 0.8 0.2 0.7 0.7 0.4	Fe(O H)8	Slight Slight Veg. Slight Moldy Veg. Veg. Grassy Slight Veg. Veg. Veg.	9.2 1.3 2.5 1.4 11.0 3.0 2.5 1.6 2.1 1.5 3.8 2.9 2.7	8.7 4.4 3.4 4.5 8.0 6.5 5.8 4.1 2.8 2.5 3.9 3.8 4.1	6.7 3.4 1.9 2.8 5.2 4.0 3.0 2.6 1.7 2.0 1.3 2.2	.0060 .0014 .0014 .0010 .0048 .0012 .0008 .0012 .0006 .0006	.0068 .0106 .0084 .0068 .0162 .0144 .0094 .0072 .0058 .0138	0.03 0.02 0 0.024 0 0.01 0 0 Trace Trace	0 0 0 0.0003 0 0 0	0.56 0.20 0.07 0.07 0.52 0.15 0.22 0.20 0.06 0.08 0.04 0.04	2.0 0.8 1.1 4.0 2.2 2.1 1.0 0.8 1.2

SANFORD.

			APPBA	RANCE.		on I	IDUE EVAP- TION.	Амм	ONIA.		ogen .s		
Number.	<u> </u>		Sediment.	Odor.	Odor.		Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8498 8877 9307 9632 9078 10415	Feb. 18, 1914 May 20, 1914 Aug. 3, 1914 Nov. 14, 1914 Feb. 9, 1915 May 12, 1915 Aug. 2, 1915 Nov. 17, 1915	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 Slight 0 0 0	0 0 0 0.1 0.1	3.5 3.2 3.4 3.3 3.5 3.0 3.7 3.3	2.6 2.3 2.8 2.6 2.6 1.7 2.7	.0002 0 .0008 .0006	.0024 .0006 .0042	0.01 0 0 Trace Trace Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0	0.32 0.30 0.25 0.28 0.27 0.32 0.40 0.31	1.9 2.3 2.1 1.6 1.6 2.0

#### SEAL HARBOR.

			Appra	ARANCE.		RESI ON E		Амм	ONIA.		ogen S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Aibumtnoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8352 8789 9238 9538	April 20, 1915 July 19, 1915	0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	O Stight Slight O O Fishy Slight	0.4 0.4 0.2 0.2 0.3 0.2 0.3 0.2	3.2 2.4 3.0 2.5 3.0 3.0	2.1 1.3 2.1	.0014 .0002 .0008 .0010 .0008	.0060 .0070 .0070	O Trace O O O O Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0	0.70 0.62 0.63 0.67 0.67 0.66 0.60 0.59	1.0 1.0 1.3 1.0 1.0

## SEARSPORT.

			Арра	arance.		ON F	idue Evap- tion.	Аюс	onia.		rogen 18		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8197 8377 8706 8786 9186 9518 9817 10164 10390 10876 11107	Apr. 27, 1914 July 2, 1914 July 15, 1914 Oct. 19, 1914 Jan. 19, 1915 Apr. 13, 1915 June 21, 1916 July 26, 1915 Nov. 5, 1915	000000200	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Rust 0	Slight Slight Grassy Grassy O Grassy Veg. Moldy Slight Grassy	0.5 0.7 0.4 0.2 0.2 1.0 1.6 0.2 0.2	2.3 2.6 3.0 2.7 3.0 3.0 2.6 3.1 3.5 2.7	1.5 1.7 1.0 2.3 1.8 2.1 1.1 1.0		.0102 .0100 .0118 .0114 .0112 .0166 .0118 .0108	0 Trace 0 0 0 0 0 0	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0.37 0.22 0.23 0.25 0.27 0.23 0.29 0.29 0.20 0.27	1.0 1.2 1.3 2.8 1.0 0.9 1.1

## SEBAGO LAKE

			Аррва	rance.		ON I	EVAP-	Аммо	ONIA.		OGEN S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8862 9257 9611	May 5, 1914 July 28, 1914 Nov. 3, 1914 Feb. 3, 1915 April 27, 1915 Aug. 7, 1915	0 0 0 0.1 0 0.2	0 0 0 0 0	Slight Slight 0 Veg. Woody Veg Vcg. Veg.	0.5 1 2 1.2 1.6 2.1	2.5 2.0 3.5 3.0 2.7	1.5 1.5 1.2 2 9 1.4 1.6 0.8 1.0	.0012	.0092 .0100 .0076 .0088 .0122	0 0 0 Trace 0.01 0 0	O O Trace O O Trace	0.17 0.17 0.20 0.20 0.25 0.18 0.16 0.17	0.9 1.3 1.5 1.5 0.8 1.2

#### SKOWHEGAN.

The water supplied by the Skowhegan Water Company has been in poor condition during the past two years and intestinal bacteria have at times been present in it. The water company has maintained its intake in the Kennebec River, and has used considerable of this polluted water in its supply.

Late in 1915 the water company reported that it had discovered a six inch connection with its main, of which it had previously had no knowledge, and that, with this discontinued, it should be able to meet the needs of its customers without the use of the river water.

However the reservoir supply of this company is, itself, of poor quality, and open to access of large amounts of surface drainage. Even with exclusion of the river water the supply of this company will be of very poor quality, and is likely to be polluted at any time. This supply is not considered safe, and especially with the connection with the river still in existence.

			Аррка	rance.		ON E	IDUE EVAP- TION.	Амис	ONIA.	Nitre			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8835 9265 9788	May 7 19 July 25, 19 Nov. 4, 19 April 9, 19 April 28, 19 Oct. 19, 19 Nov. 9, 19	14 1.8 14 1.6 14 0.9 15 0.8 15 1.0	Clay	Slight Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	1.7 1.6 2.6 3.2 3.2 3.5 2.1 2.5 0.3	4.6 5.8 4.7 5.9	4.4 3.2 3.6 3.4 3.0 2.2 3.6 1.9		.0092 .0148 .0088 .0150 .0126	0.07 0.02 0.07 0.02 0.02 0.02 0.013 0.04	O Trace O Trace Trace	0.46 0.36 0.51 0.50 0.27 0.35 0.20 0.68 0.21	1.4 1.7 1.8 1.5 1.0 1.7

SKOWHEGAN

## South Berwick.

The general condition of this supply has remained unchanged during the past two years. The supply of this company being limited they drove a number of new wells in the fall of 1915, all of which yielded a safe water, although some were high in iron. The company was advised to continue pumping these wells to see if there was to be any increase in the iron content

of the water, as this would unfit the water for domestic use. Since the November tests nothing has been heard from the company.

The water from this supply has been a safe one during the past two years, but one of high color and vegetable content, on account of the large amount of surface water that was used in it.

	BERWICK
SUUIN	DERWILL

			Аррва	rance.		RESION E	VAP-	Ammo	ONIA.	Nite			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.  Jan 19, 1914	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8849 9249 9589 9838	May 5, 1914 July 27, 1914 Nov. 2, 1914 Feb. 1, 1915 April 19, 1915 Aug. 3, 1915	0.3 0.8 0.6 0.2 0.3 0.8	0 0 0 0 0 0	Veg. Veg. Grassy Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	7 (	5.8 7.2 6.4 8 10.4 6.8 10.1	3.2 3.7 5.9 6.0	.0012 .0008 .0008 .0014 .0024 .0036	.0108 .0162 .0258 .0430	0.01 0 0 0.01 0 Trace 0.01	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.48 0.35 0.36 0.46 0.41 0.40 0.41 0.60	1.6 2.5 3.0 1.5 2.1

# South Freeport

This village has a summer supply from a spring, located a quarter of a mile away from all sources of pollution. The analyses show the spring open to the entrance of surface wash, which should be excluded to be safe to use for drinking purposes.

SOUTH FREEPORT.

	DATE OF COLLECTION.		Аррва	rance.			DUE VAP- TION.	Амм	ONIA.		ogen S		
Number.		Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8382 8383 10405	April 27, 1914 April 27, 1914 Aug. 2, 1915	0 0 0	0 0 0	Slight 0 Slight	0	6.6	2.5 5.4 5.7	.0030 .0002 .0026	.0026	Trace 0.08 0.14	0 0 0.0007	0.28 0.57 0.80	3.2

## SOUTH PARIS.

			Аррва	RANCE.		on I	idub Evap- Tion,	Ами	ONIA.		rogen 15		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8769 9159 9498	April 13, 1914 July 13, 1914 Oct. 12, 1914 Jan. 11, 1915 April 5, 1915 July 6, 1915	0 0.3 0 0 0 0.1	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Slight 0 Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	1.1 1.3 3.7 1.6 1.4 2.1 9.2 8.6	3.0 5.0 6.6 4.5 3.2	3.0 2.0 2.5 4.7 3.0 1.8 2.0 1.8	.0008 0008 .0012 .0004 .0006 .0016 .0006	.0056 .0092 .0072 .0138 .0080	0.01 0 Trace Trace 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0	0.16 0.13 0.05 0.21 0.18 0.14 0.10 0.23	1.1 1.2 1.5 2.2 1.3

## SOUTHWEST HARBOR.

			Арриа	rance.		ON I	DUE VAP- TION.	Axoc	ONIA.	Nite	ogen 5		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8642 8778 9201 9458 9563	May 27, 1914 June 22, 1914 July 13, 1914 Oct. 22, 1914 Dec. 20, 1914 Jan. 21, 1915 April 12, 1915 June 21, 1915 July 10, 1915 Oct. 13, 1915	0 0 0 0.2 0 0.2 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Rust	Veg. Grassy Slight Sight Veg. Slight Slight Veg. Veg. Veg.	2.7 1.2 1.2 0.9 1.3 1.6 2.3 2.1 1.4 1.3 2.1	4.7 3.4 3.2 3.5 3.6 3.3 3.8 3.0 3.2 2.9 3.0	3.7 2.3 2.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 2.8 1.9 1.7 1.6 1.1	.0010 .0014 .0012 .0014 .0012 .0008 .0006 .0012 .0006 .0002	.0062 .0070 .0080 .0070 .0072 .0060 .0076 .0080 .0074	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.74 0.68 0.64 0.62 0.67 0.65 0.70 0.64 0.65 0.74	1.3 1.4 1.0 1.0 1.0 0.9 0.8 1.1

#### SPRINGVALE.

			Аррва	Bance.		on E	due Vap-	Аммо	)NIA.		OGEN B		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8857 9185 9262 9567	May 5, 1914 July 28, 1914 Oct. 20, 1914 Nov. 4, 1914 Jan. 26, 1915 April 27, 1915 July 28, 1915	0 0.5 0 0 0 0 0.2	Veg. 0 0 0 0 0	Grassy Slight Grassy Grassy O Grassy Veg.	0.3 0.5 1.5 2.6 2.8 1.5 1.2 2.7		4.2 2.0 1.5 3.0 2.6 2.7 1.2 1.0	.0012 .0060 .0034 .0196 .0028 .0072	.0086 .0132 .0136 .0120 .0096	0 0 0 Trace 0 0 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0.31 0.27 0.27 0.28 0.33 0.36 0.26 0.24 0.23	0.8 1.3 1.2 1.3 1.5 0.8

#### STONINGTON.

			Arra	rance.		Ruer our E	DUD VAF- FION.	Anne	OSTEAL.		09831		
Number.	DATE OF COLABOTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	First	Free.	Albumtaold	N hraten.	Nitrites.	Chlorine	Hardbear.
8401 8790 9330 9618 9352 10380	Jan. 19, 1914 April 29, 1914 July 15, 1914 Nov. 18, 1914 Feb. 3, 1915 April 20, 1915 July 25, 1918 Oct. 18, 1915	0602	0 0 0 0	Vog. Vog. Vog. Graney Vog. Vog. Vog. de Graney	19 0 8 2 7 5 7 0 8 5 8 8 16 0	6 9 6 4 6 5 8 0 6 4 8 0	43341870	0080 0042 ,0032 0012 0028 0022 0012	0362	Trace Trace 0 0 0 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0	1 42	1 8 1 0 1 5 1 6 0.9 1 6

#### STRATTON.

			Арред	ranch.		ON E	TAP-	Asoro	MZA.	Nren	098W 8		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment,	Odor.	Color.	Total	Pixed.	Free.	Albenthotd.	Nitrates.	Nitritor	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8457 8988 9292 9649 9961 10528	Feb. 2, 1914 May 11, 1914 Aug. 18, 1914 Nov. 10, 1914 Feb. 12, 1915 May 10, 1915 Aug. 19, 1915 Nov. 22, 1915	0000	Earthy 0 0 0 0 0	Slight 0 0 0 0 0	0 1 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 2 0 3	62153550 6049 490	490 4130 4450 5287 2	0002 0002 0008 0002 0006 0010 0	0018 0062 0016 0040 0034 0012 0044 0046	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0002 0 0	0 04 0 09 0 04 0 06	1 0 2 5 3 9 2 3 2 0 3 31

STRONG.

8411 April 30, 1914 0 8632 June 18, 1914 0 8831 July 24, 1914 0 9195 Oct. 21, 1914 0 4 9479 Jan. 6, 1915 0 9598 Feb. 1, 1915 0 9024 April 14, 1915 0 10126 June 14, 1915 0 10816 Oct. 29, 1915 0	O Veg. Veg. Veg. & Veg.	3 5 4 6 6 2 2 2 6 0 6 0 1 4 3 4 5 5 5 7 2 6 0 7 5 3	4 0012 0106 Trace 1 0008 0150 0 3 0022 0170 0 0 0008 0202 Trace 9 0014 0126 Trace 4 0020 0108 0 0 0008 0120 Trace 2 0008 0162 0 01	0 0 06 1 2 0 0 04 2 5 0 0 03 2 4 0 0 05 2 4 0 0 16 3 0 0 12 2 2 0 0 09 1 3 0 0 02 2.2 0 0 08 2 5
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## SULLIVAN HARBOR.

	8833 July 25, 1914 8231 Oct. 26, 1914		Аррва	rance.		אר I	idub Evap- Tion.	ľ	ONIA.		ogen 5		
Number.		Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Flxed.	Free.	Albuminold.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8833 8231 9865	July 25. 1914	0.4 0 C.4	0 Rust 0 0 0	Veg. Slight Veg. Veg. Veg.	3.5 1.6 3.3 8.2 2.2	3.0	1.4 1.6 1.6 1.4 1.2	.0012 .0006 .0020		0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0.39 0.38 0.41 0.38 1.00	0.8 1.0 1.0

## UNION.

_			Аррва	rance.		ON I	IDUE EVAP- TION.	Axoc	ONIA.		OGEN .S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummotd.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8460 9036 9264 9608 9947 10411	Feb. 4, 1914 May 12, 1914 Sept. 3, 1914 Nov. 4, 1914 Feb. 3, 1915 May 6, 1915 Aug. 2, 1915 Nov. 15, 1915	0.6 0.3 0 0.2 0.2	0 0 0 0 0 0	Slight Grassy Veg. 0 Slight Slight Grassy 0	1.0 1.0 0 0.2 0 1.2 0.3 0.1	5.1 6.6 5.0 6.6	4.4 3.8 4.1 4.1 4.7 3.6 4.2 4.2	.0008 .0052 .0002 .0006 .0006 .0002 .0004	.0050 .0074 .0064 .0034 .0066 .0092	0 0 Trace 0 Trace Trace 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0	0.38 0.40 0.35 0.34 0.51 0.40 0.39 0.48	1.3 3.3 3.0 1.3 2.5

## VAN BUREN.

			Аррва	rance.		1	DUE VAP- PION.	Амиг	DNIA.		OGEN .S		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8353 8696 8749 9138 9457 9508	Dec. 22, 1914 Jan. 11, 1915 April 12, 1915 June 11, 1915 July 14, 1915 Oct. 18, 1915	0.2 0 0 0 0.6 0.6	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	Veg. Veg. Slight Slight O Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	0.2 2.5 1.2 1.5 1.6 0.2 1.1 3.2 1.3 6.0 1.8 2.0	7.4 8.2 7.7	8.3 2.8 5.6 6.1 6.9 7.0 6.2 2.4 5.2 3.2 5.0 3.5	.0003 .0008 .0006 .0018 .0026 .0002 .0006 .0020 .0012 .0002 .0008 .0006	.0172 .0052 .0038 .0064 .0040 .0112	0.02 0.01 0.01 0 0 0.03 0.02 0 Trace 0 0.01	- 0000000000000000000000000000000000000	0.08 0.10 0.04 0.05 0.08 0.14 0.10 0.04 0.14 0.02 0.11 0.08	2.0 4.0 5.0 6.1 4.6 2.5 4.3 4.1

#### VINALHAVEN.

			Арржа	RANGE.		on 1	ETAP-	Axos	OSTIA.		SOGERI SOGERI		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	COMM	Color.	Total.	Pired	Pres.	Albuminoid.	Niestot.	Whether	Chlorine.	Bardson.
8399 8777 9232 9645 9662 10397	Jan. 26, 1914 April 27, 1914 July 13, 1914 Oct. 28, 1914 Jan. 19, 1915 April 22, 1915 July 28, 1915 Oct. 20, 1915	003384	0000000	Veg. Stight Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	51 68 90 70	6 6 6 0 6 1	3 6 3 1 3 0 3 3 4 0 2 8 1.6 2 5	0072 0124 0028 0026 0090 0092 0022	0192 0130 0148 0172 0216 0168 0178 0232	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	000000	1 57 1 28 1 34 1 32 1 60 1 40 1 87 1 25	10 15 12 13

#### WALDOBORO.

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Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Afbuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nikrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
	10, 1914 17, 1914 23, 1914 8, 1914 20, 1914 1, 1915 1, 1915 9, 1915	0 4 0 7 1 3 0 7 1 5 0 2	O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	Slight Slight 0 0 0 Veg. Veg.	0 0 2 0 2 1 0 0 1 0 3 1 3 1 7	3 23 6 8 0 7 5 8 2 6 8 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	2 9 4 2 6 2 4 0 9 8 1 8 1 6 7	0006 0010 0002 0002 0002 0006 0004 0008	0042 0070 0036 0016 0014 0042 0070 0066 0048	0 0 0 Trace Trace 0 04 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0		14422044808143

#### WARREN.

			Appra	вансв.		on E	DUE VAP- TION.	Aine	SHIA.		B OGEN		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Pixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nikates.	Nikriten.	Chlorine.	Hardage.
991 9244 9591 9598 9909 10412	Feb. 2, May 12, Aug. 18, Nov. 2, Feb. 1, Feb. 1, April 30, Aug. 2, Nov. 15,		0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Moldy Veg. Veg. 0 Veg. Slight Veg.	1 1 1 1 1 0 0 2 0 1 1 7 2 9 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	4 8 1 8 1 8 0 6 0 6 2 5 0 4 9 0 8 0	30466766334423863	0008 0002 0008 0012 0012 0014 0	i nasri	0 0 0 0 0 01 0 06 0 01 Trace	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0 55 0 55 0 11	18481954

WATERVILLE.

			Арриа	RASICS.		ON E	DUB VAP- TION.	ÅMG	ONTA.		OGEN A		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nistries	Objerine.	Hardness.
8350 8571 8780 9150 9408 9432 9527 9801	Oct. 18, 1915	0000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	Grassy Veg. Grassy Veg. Slight 0 6light Slight Grassy Grassy	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	300 411 377 401 338 337	2226603268331911709	0012 0020 0008 0012 0026 0006 0006 0008 0020 0020 0018 0014	0112 0110 0098	Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 21 0 17 0 22 0 21 0 25 0 22 0 26	13944481160 11481160 1160 1162 1162 1162

WEST SULLIVAN

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8241 Feb. 20, 1914 0 8435 May 7, 1914 0 8820 July 22, 1914 0 9230 Oct. 26, 1914 0 9652 Feb. 15, 1915 0 1 9864 April 23, 1915 0 2 10403 July 31, 1915 0 10870 Nov. 5, 1915 0	0   21 kg h t	0 5 4 5 3 0 1 5 6 3 5 2 0 7 2 6 3 1 3 6 7 5 5 1 1 6 8 4 4 4 0 6 8 2 5 5	0028 0122 Trace 0004 0022 Trace 0008 0064 0 0 0044 0 01 0006 0068 Trace 0008 0048 C 61 0002 0064 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 27 3 9 0 48 2 7 0 49 3 2 0 50 5 2 0 57 2 7 2 52 3 4 0 52 4 0 0 55 3 9

#### WEST SUMNER.

The Ryerson and Chandler Spring systems have maintained their usual condition during the past two years. Both of these systems take their water through lead pipes, and both waters have acted on the pipes to some extent. If the lead pipes were removed both of these waters would be first-class ones, but the presence of lead in them renders them unsafe to use for drinking at this time.

#### WEST SUMNER-CHANDLER SPRING.

			Appra	Rance.		ON I	idite Evap- Tion.	Asos	ONTA.		NEGO.			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.	Lead.
8476 8906 9299 9615 9929 10445	Feb. 3, 1914 May 17, 1914 Aug. 4, 1914 Nov. 9, 1914 Feb. 2, 1915 May 3, 1915 Aug. 9, 1915 Nov. 16, 1915	0 0 0 0 0.1	0000000	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	3.2 3.5 3.6 3.4 3.6 3.8	2.6 2.7 2.2 3.2 3.1 2.6 2.1 2.3	.0002 .0002 .0004 .0006 0 .0018	.0028 .0022 .0024 .0036 .0042	0.01 0.01 0 0 Trace 0.01 Trace	0 0 0 0 0.0001 0 0	0.15 0.03 0.09 0.09 0.10 0.10 0.08 0.11	2.0 1.7 2.9 3.0 1.9 2.0	0.03 0.09 0.10 0.06 0.05 0.07 0.08 0.12

## WEST\_SUMNER—RYERSON SPRING.

			Аррва	RANCE.		ON I	IDUB EVAP- PION.	Ампи	onia.	1	Bogin Lis			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites	Chlorine.	Hardness.	Lead.
8477 8905 9301 -9923 10447	Feb. 3, 1914 May 17, 1914 Aug. 4, 1914 Nov. 9, 1914 May 2, 1915 Aug. 9, 1915 Nov. 16, 1915	0000	0 0 0 0 0	0	0 0 0.1 0 0.3	4.9 7.3 5.8 4.1 6.1	5.3 4.2 4.0 4.9 2.7 5.0 4.5	.0004 .0002 .0002 .0002 .0002 .0008	.0054 .0062 .0048 .0058 .0022	Trace 0.01 0.35 0.02 0.03 Trace 0.02	0 0.0001 0 0 0	0.035 0.29 0.10 0.04 0.05	2.7 3.4 4.5 2.0	0.02 0.05 0.04 0.05 0.04 0.05

## WILTON.

			Аррра	RANCE.		ON E	IDUE VAP- TION.	Амм	ONIA.	Ni <b>t</b> e A	rogen 5		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8336 8602 8815 9167 9422 9534 9804 10115 10287	Jan. 12, 1914 April 19, 1914 June 15, 1914 July 20, 1914 Oct. 14, 1914 Dec. 15, 1914 Jan. 18, 1915 April 11, 1915 June 14, 1915 July 12, 1915 Oct. 11, 1915 Dec. 7, 1915	000000000	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Rust	Grassy Grassy Slight 0 Grassy Grassy Grassy Woody Slight 0 Slight	0.2 0.4 0.3 0.1 0.3 0.1 1.3 0.2 1.4 0	4.6 4.0 3.8 3.1 3.8 4.5 3.1 3.4 3.6 3.1 3.2 3.9	3.9 2.6 1.8 2.6 3.0 2.2 2.2 1.2 2.0	.0012 .0032 .0006 .0024 .0002	.0098 .0070 .0102 .0104 .0102 .0140 .0124 .0082 .0078 .0128	Trace 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0.11 0.10 0.08 0.09 0.12 0.12 0.12 0.13 0.12 0.09	1.5 1.7 2.2 2.2 1.5 1.7 1.7

## WINTER HARBOR.

		!	Аррва	RANCE		ON E	idub Evap- Tion,		ONIA.	4	ROGEN AS		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitratos.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8386 8775 9225 9550	Jan. 20, 1915 April 20, 1915 July 18, 1915	0.3 0 0.2 0.3 0.3	0 0 0 Veg. 0 Veg.	Veg. Veg. Veg.	4.0 4.0 3.1 3.5 5.0 8.6	3.9 4.3 4.1 4.5 4.6 4.5	3.1 1.9 1.9 2.5 2.0 2.9 1.3 1.5	.0084 .0032 .0020 .0146 .0054 .0028 .0016	.0142 .0160 .0252 .0140 .0128	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0 0 0 0 0 Trace 0	1.10 0.78 0.79 0.85 0.94 0.91 0.70 0.71	1.2 1.6 1.2 1.3

## WINTERPORT.

			Аррва	lrance.		ON E	IDUB VAP- TION.	<b>b</b>	ONIA.	II .	ROGEN AS .		
Number.		Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8737 9142 9506	April 12, 1914 July 8, 1914 Oct. 10, 1914 Jan. 11, 1915 April 6, 1915 July 13, 1915	1.6 0 0 0.8 0.4 0.4	0	Slight 0	1.0 0.3 0.3 0.9 1.6 1.7	4.4 9.1 8.7 8.0 7.6 7.2	5.7 3.7	.0020 .0016 .0014 .0006 .0002 .0016 .0024 .0008	.0108 .0100 .0090 .0082 .0058 .0118	0.05 Trace 0.03 0.02 0.04 0.03 0.03 0.02	0 0 0 0 0 Trace 0.0001	0.37 0.29 0.37 0.41 0.45 0.45 0.31 0.41	5.4 6.0 5.5 4.3 0.4

## WINTHROP—CARLETON SYSTEM.

			Аррва	RANCE.		on I	IDUB CVAP- TION.		ONIA.		ROGEN AS		
Number.	8264 Mar. 26, 1914		Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Fræ.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8529 8900 9342	May 27, 1914 Aug. 1, 1914 Nov. 24, 1914 Feb. 22, 1915 June 24, 1915	0000	0 0 0 0 0 0	Moldy Slight 0 0 Moldy 0	0000	12.6 14.6 13.4 15.4	12.6 8.8 12.8 12.0 10.0	.0008	.0052 .0024 .0014 .0008 .0028 .0020 .0028	0.06 0.12 0.08 0.09 0.12 0.14 0.09	0 Trace 0 0 0 0	0.52 0.96 1.14 1.10 0.86 1.15 1.39	7.4 6.0 7.5 6.8 6.8

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			Арри	RANCE.		ON I	idu <b>n</b> Evap- Tion	Амис	ONIA.	N ITE			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummold.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8535 8898 9345 9659	Mar. 26, 1914 May 27, 1914 Aug. 1, 1914 Nov. 24, 1914 Feb. 18, 1915 June 24, 1915 Dec. 8, 1915	0 0 0 0.8	0 0 0 0 0 Rust 0	Slight Slight Veg. Slight Veg. Veg. Veg.	0.3 1.0 1.1 1.2 3.0 1.2 0.6	3.6 3.7 3.4 3.3 6.0 3.8 5.9	2.7 2.0 1.6 3.0 3.8 2.3 4.0	.0008 .0008 .0012 .0109 .0012	.0050 .0112 .0122 .0086 .0290 .0118 .0120	0 0 0 0 0.01 0 0.012	0 0 0 0 Trace 0	0.25 0.37 0.20 0.25 0.51 0.21 0.49	1.9 2.0 3.0 1.9

#### WINTHROP-JONES SYSTEM.

			Appna	rance.			DUB VAP- TION	Амм	ONTA.		ogen As		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albummotd.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness
8526 8901 9344	Mar. 26, 1914 May 27, 1914 Aug. 1, 1914 Nov. 24, 1914 June 24, 1915 Dec. 7, 1915	0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0.01	5.7 5.0 6.0 5.4 5.5 5.5	5.0 4.1 4.7 5.0 4.5 4.3	.0002	.0014 .0030 .0012 .0014 .0020	0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0.16 0.17 0.16 0.17 0.16 0.14	2.7 2.8 2.7 3.2

### WINTHROP-MAY SYSTEM.

-			Appea	RANCE.		on I	IDUE VAP- PION.	Амм	ONIA.	Nite			
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8263 8527 8899 11018	May 27, 1914 Aug. 1, 1914	0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0 0	3.0 3.1 4.0 3.5	2.1 2.3 3.1 2.4	.0010 .0012 .0004	.0048 .0038 .0022 .0038	0 0 0 Trace	9 0 0 0.0001	0.15 0.14 0.16 0.19	1.6 2.7

## WOODLAND.

The supply of this village is still taken from the St. Croix River. As noted in my last report this water has become of poor and dangerous quality. The plans of the water company for purification of the supply have not been put into

effect, so that the water is still unsafe to use for drinking purposes.

## WOODLAND.

			Аррва	Rance.			DUE VAP- PION.	Anem	ONIA.		NEDO.		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sed iment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardnem.
8304 8708 8816 8934 8935 9103 9499 9762 10566	Jan. 5, 1914 April 11, 1914 July 4, 1914 July 20, 1914 Aug. 10, 1914 Aug. 10, 1914 Oct. 3, 1914 Jan. 9, 1915 April 3, 1915 Sept. 1, 1915 Sept. 30, 1915	0.1 0.3 0.3 0 0 0 0.3	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Earthy Veg.	Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg. Veg.	4.0 4.5 3.0 0.3 1.4 1.8 1.9 2.6 8.0 0.2 0.4	3.7 3.2 4.7 3.9 3.4 3.5 4.2 3.6 10.5	2.2 1.7 1.8 2.6 1.8 1.6 2.5 1.6 6.8 1.7	.0012 .0014 .0196 .0070 .0008 .0012 .0012 .0012	.0136 .0226 .0134 .0132 .0108 .0132 .0140	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Trace 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0.17 0.17 0.12 0.035 0.07 0.09 0.16 0.20 0.35 0.15	1.6 1.4 1.4 2.0 2.0 1.5 1.5 1.3 5.9 2.1

## YAR MOUTH.

			Аррва	rance.		ON I	IDUE VAP- TION	Associ	ONIA.		OGEN		
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8885 9273 9621 9915 10897	May 9, 1914 Aug. 1, 1914 Nov. 7, 1914 Feb. 6, 1915 May 1, 1915	0.7 0.2 0 0.2 0.5 0.2	0	Veg. Veg. Slight 0 Grassy	0.1 0.1 0.1 0	6.3 6.7 9.7 6.8 6.2 6.2	5.0 4.6 5.4 7.3 5.0 4.3 4.1 3.3	.0012 .0008 0 .0006 .0010 .0008 .0006	.0058 .0046 .0016 .0022 .0050 .0018	0.09 0.07 0.09 0.32 0.11 0.13 0.08 0.13	Trace Trace 0.0002 0 Trace 0.0001 Trace	0.33 0.36 0.35 0.95 0.38 0.40 0.42 0.45	2.7 3.0 4.5 3.0 2.0 2.8

## YORK.

		APPBARANCE.			RESIDUE ON EVAP-ORATION.		Nitrogen as						
Number.	DATE OF COLLECTION.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Odor.	Color.	Total.	Fixed.	Free.	Albuminoid.	Nitrates.	Nitrites.	Chlorine.	Hardness.
8447 8742 9209 9650 9863 10350	Jan. 29, 1914 May 11, 1914 July 5, 1914 Oct. 24, 1914 Feb. 10, 1915 April 20, 1915 July 17, 1915 Dec. 14, 1915	0 0 0 0.1 0.2	0 0 0 0 0 0	Grassy Grassy Slight 0 Veg. Veg. Veg.	1.9 1.4 1.3 1.3 1.8 3.3	3.0 3.1 4.0 4.0 2.9 3.0	2.0 1.8 1.4 1.7 2.5 1.2 1.0	.0012 .0086 .0012 .0046 .0014 .0008	.0104 .0120 .0088 .0100 .0114 .0118 .0139 .0148	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Trace	0 0 0 Trace 0 0	0.53 0.44 0.49 0.46 0.56 0.55 0.52 0.48	0.9 0.8 1.2 0.9 1.0

# MISCELLANEOUS CHEMICAL WORK.

During the past two years but little chemical work has been done, outside of the routine water work. We have examined 37 samples of water for lead, where no other feature of quality was requested by the sender. The sediment from the Gardiner Water District test filters has been examined, as has the flaky material from the seal pails. One sample of wall paper has been examined for arsenic. 3 samples of sediment from water pipes have been examined. We have also had samples of sediment from a dead-end in the Lewiston water system to determine the nature of the vegetable material; and similar material from a dead-end in the system of the Mousam Water Company, where it was thought that dirt and foreign material had been added to an exhibition specimen of this water.

A sample of fire extinguisher was also examined for the State Land Agent, and found to be common bicarbonate of soda, with a slight mixture of normal carbonate.

In all 46 miscellaneous samples have been examined during the past years.

The chemical work of the laboratory during the past two years has thus consisted of the analysis of 242 dairy samples; of 3,165 water samples for full sanitary analysis, and 46 miscellaneous analyses.—a total of 3,453 analyses.

## BACTERIOLOGICAL WORK.

The lines of bacteriological work have remained the same as during the past four years.

During the period, covered by this report we have examined 3,652 specimen of sputum for the tubercule bacillus: 2,977 throat swabs for diphtheria: 1,062 blood smears for typhoid; 180 pus smears for the gonococcus, and 15 miscellaneous samples.

The 15 miscellaneous bacterial examinations consisted of the examination of 4 water samples for B. coli: 2 samples of milk for typhoid bacilli: 2 samples of milk for diphtheria bacilli: 1 sample of milk for streptococci: 1 sample of feces for the tubercule bacillus: 1 sample of feces for hemorrhagic bacilli: 1 sample of blood for sterility: 1 specimen of pus from a sore for the tubercule bacillus: 1 sample of spinal fluid

for streptococci and gonococci, and I sample of urethral discharge for the tubercule bacillus.

The 3,652 sputum specimens came from 259 different towns and cities: the 2,977 diphtheria specimens from 192 different places, and the 1,062 typhoid specimens from 163 different localities; showing the state-wide use that is made of the laboratory.

In addition to the above bacteriological work the sanitary water analyses add much bacteriological work. Each of the 3,165 water samples were examined in three dilutions for the presumptive B. coli tests, and all of the samples were plates on gelatine, while the samples from the public water supplies, 1,191 in number, were also plated on agar.

The routine bacteriological examinations for diagnostic purposes have thus numbered 7,886 during the past two years, and the bacteriological examinations in connection with the water analyses have added 13,851 examinations to this,— a total of 21,737 bacteriological examinations. In the following cost tabulation I am including only the diagnostic examinations; the bacteriological work in connection with the water analyses being included in the cost of that work.

There has been a drop of 148 specimens in the tuberculosis work over the preceding period; a drop of 143 specimens in the diphtheria work; an increase of 78 specimens in the typhoid work, and an increase of 102 specimens in the gonococcus work. The bacteriological work has thus been practically stationary during this period.

The reasons for this condition are plain to those in touch with the situation. Portland was formerly our largest contributor to tuberculosis work. Two years ago a bacteriological laboratory was established by the city board of health. As a result our Portland work has practically disappeared. During the past two years there have been no institutional epidemics of diphtheria in the State, as during the several years past, and so no mass of work has come from this source.

The tabulations in the following pages will give in detail the nature of the work along all lines during this period of report.

The following gives the summary of the amount of work done by the laboratory during the past two years; its actual cost to the State, and a comparison with the cost of such work

if done at the regular commercial rates. Contrary to most reports the cost of sanitary water analysis is set at \$10.00 instead of \$25.00, as the latter figure more nearly approaches the actual cost of the work. The other figures are practically fixed figures for such work at commercial laboratories.

3652	examinations of sputum	@ \$2 00	\$7,304 00
2977	" swabs	@ \$2 00	5,954 00
1062	" blood	@ \$2 oo	2,124 00
180	" pus	@ \$2 00	360 <b>00</b>
15	Misc. bacteriological exam	ninations	30 00
3165	sanitary water analyses	@ \$10 oo	31,650 00
242	milk analyses	@ \$5 ∞	1,210 00
46	Misc. analyses	@ \$5 oo	230 00
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11339	T	otal	\$48,862 00

Appropriation for the laboratory \$11,000.

Saving over the commercial cost of the work \$37,862 00. The actual cost of an analysis, lumping all of the different items together has thus been \$0.96 against a minimum commercial charge of \$2.00 for any single item of work.

In concluding this report I would call attention of the physicians to one or two points in connection with the meaning of the reports on the various bacteriological specimens which are returned to them. It would hardly seem as though such points needed any mention but rather vexatious experience has shown that they do.

Complaints have come to us because we have not found tubercule bacilli in specimens of sputum from persons where the physician has made a clinical diagnosis of tuberculosis, and some physicians have considered the laboratory results as of no account because, on some occasions, they do not confirm their diagnosis. In one case that has come to our attention the physician wrote of the matter to another physician who stated that he had had similar experience and had stopped sending specimens to the laboratory. As a matter of fact this latter physician had never sent a specimen to the laboratory during the whole twelve years of its existence, although we had supplied him with stains for his own use.

It is well known that, even in advanced cases of tuberculosis, there is not constant elimination of the bacilli. It is only when there is active break-down of diseased tissue that they appear in the sputum. In addition it is hopeless to expect to find tubercule bacilli in a specimen of nasal mucus when the case is supposed to be pulmonary tuberculosis. The number of specimens we receive that are not from the lung or even throat, but simply snuffed down from the nose is surprising.

In addition the physician is to remember that the laboratory report is in no way a report on any single clinical aspect of his case. It is a report, pure and simple, on the material that has been sent to us. If no tubercule bacilli are present in the specimen we have received the physician gets a negative report on that particular specimen. He should understand that a single negative report in no way affects the standing of his clinical diagnosis, although the finding of the tubercule bacillus in a case diagnosed as bronchitis does overthrow his diagnosis. In order to avoid any chance for misunderstanding a note, fully explaining this condition, is printed on the report sheet. In spite of all this we get complaints for not confirming the physician's diagnosis on a single specimen.

In the matter of diphtheria examinations we labor under a disadvantage in the large size of the State and the resulting length of time that is required for the specimens to reach us from some sections, notably from the extreme north and eastern sections of the State. It is not uncommon for 36 hours to elapse between the collection of the specimen and its receipt at the laboratory. It is thus often 48 hours before report can be made on these specimens.

Not only is this delay in the report of vital importance, but the length of time the specimen is in transit is of as vital importance to the laboratory in obtaining accurate growths from it.

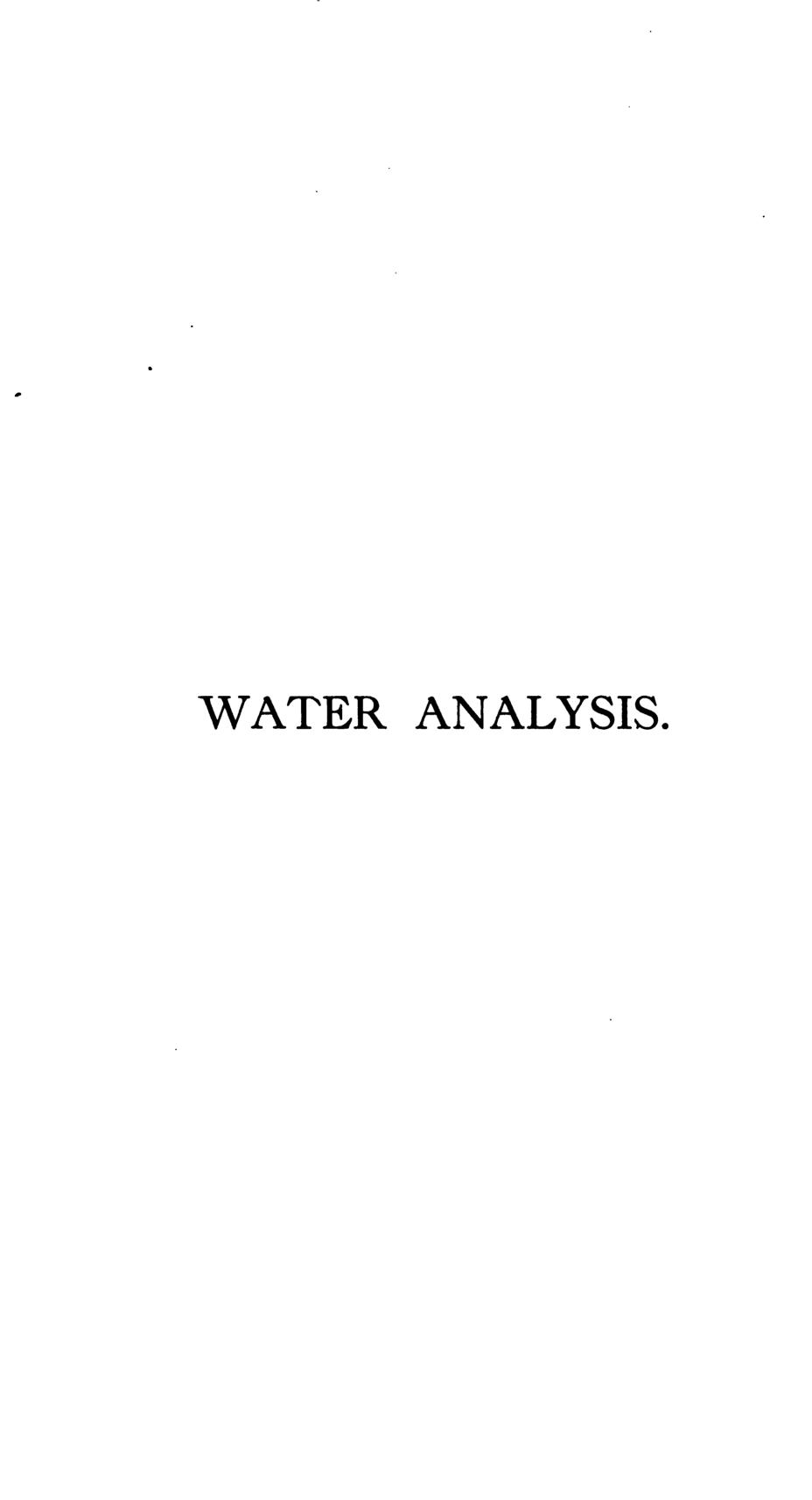
Our diphtheria work is at its height during the cold winter months. The alternate exposure to heat and cold, to which the specimen is exposed during its period of transit, is far more fatal to the diphtheria bacillus than would be a continued exposure to either the maximum heat or the minimum cold. During these months of extreme cold it is not to be wondered at if many of our specimens from northern Aroostook and eastern Washington county give us no growths, or, at best, those from which the diphtheria bacillus is absent even in the face of a positive clinical diagnosis.

There are two ways of meeting this difficulty. One is to establish sectional bacteriological laboratories in different sections of the State, so that the long period of transit will be avoided. The other is to supply the physician with blood serum media and swabs, so that he may plant the culture just as soon as it is taken, which is the time for him to obtain the best results. If this were done, and the physician would use his vest pocket as an incubator until the specimen was placed in the mail, the culture would get such a start before going into the mails that the laboratory could probably make direct examination of it on its arrival, instead of having to incubate it for 12 hours before such an examination is made. This method would save both time of incubation, and would render it almost sure that whatever was inoculated on the serum would reach us without death of the organisms.

This would, of course, put the entire responsibility on the physician, as he would not only take the swab but would also make the culture. The laboratory would be only the examining agent.

The establishment of sectional laboratories is out of the question with our present appropriation, as it would mean maintaining bacteriologists at such points, as well as equipment. The use of blood serum media in place of swabs is also expensive. It involves not only a large outlay for media and equipment, but the expense of actually maintaining the outfits would be considerable. Each outfit would have to be dated, and track kept of it, in order to call it back before the media had spoiled, and this recalled media would have to be replaced by fresh media. This method of meeting the difficulty is under serious consideration by the laboratory, and we may put the plan into operation in the fall of 1916 on a small scale, and, if results warrant, make it state wide in its scope.

We have, ever since the establishment of the laboratory, suffered considerable loss of outfits, which we could not trace. It has developed by chance that the physicians are making use of the outfits for various mailing purposes, using them as mailing cases for any kind of material, and sent anywhere. We wish to again protest against such use of the property of the State. It involves a serious expense to the laboratory ir replacing the outfits thus taken.



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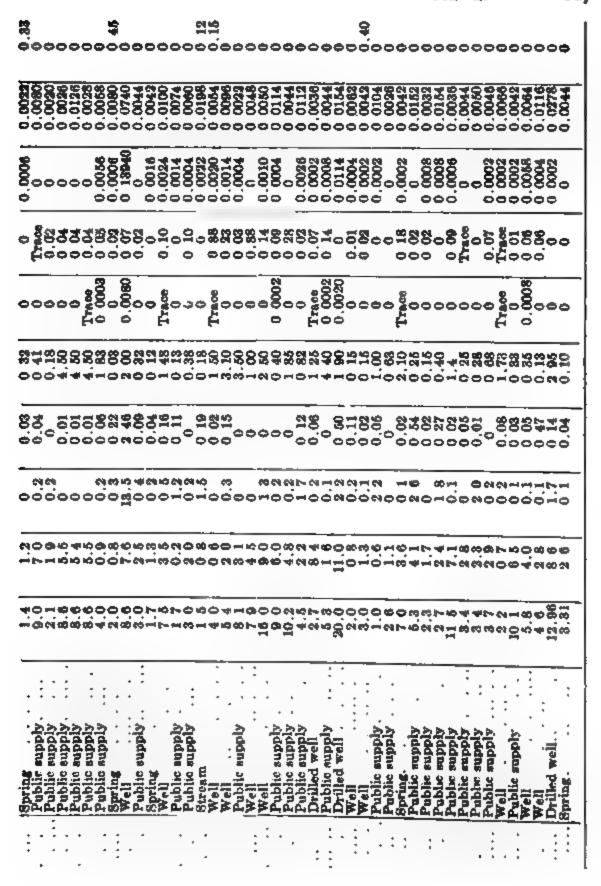
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Sangerville         Well         6.4         5           York Village         1.0         0           Kingfield         1.4         0           Belfast         1.2         7           Paris         1.2         0           Limerick         Well         1.7           East Union         Well         1.7           Fort Kent         Public supply         2.8           Veazie         2.8         1           Strong         1.8         1           Old Town         River         1.4	Greenville         Drilled well         5.0         4.           Livermore         Well         1.2         1.2           Wells         Well         2.1         1.2           Hiram         2.1         1.2         1.0           Deering         1.0         0.1         0.1           Found         Spring         1.4         1.0           Foland         Well         4.3         2.           South Windham         Public supply         1.0         0.           Kennebago         Lake         1.4         1.	Euckheid.  Eusbon Falls.  Public supply.  Fryeburg.  Bucksport.  North Belgrade.  Public supply.  Pond.  Pond.  Public supply.  1.4  1.5  Pond.  Public supply.  2.0  Spring.  Dexter.  Brooks.  Old Town.  Wiscasset.  Spring.  Spring.  2.0  Spring.	Albion         Spring         5.0         4           Dixfield         1.7         1.7         1           West Paris         Spring         1.4         1           Damariscotta         Public supply         8.6         6           Dennysville         Public supply         1.4         0           Bingham         Public supply         1.4         0           Searsport         Public supply         1.1         0           Fort Fairfield         Drilled well         18.0         13.	Cakland         Spring         2.8           Kezar Falls         Well         1.7           Solon         Well         8.2           Pittsfield         Spring         10.8           Skowbegan         Public supply         2.0           Pittsfield         Well         16.5           Skowbegan         Public supply         3.0
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CITY OR TOWN.	Male.	Female.	Total.	÷	0.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	+	0.	Total.
Albion. Alfred Amherst Andover Anson Appleton. Ashland Athens Atlantic Auburn Augusta Baileyville Bangor Bar Harbor Bath Belfast Belgrade Berwick Bethel Biddeford Bingham Blaine Bolsters Mills Boothbay Harbor Bowdoinham Bradford Brewer Bridgewater Bridgewater Bridgewater Bridgewater Bridgewater Bridgewort Calais Camden Canaan Canton Caribou Carmel Charleston Cherryfield Chisholm Clinton Columbia Falls Coopers Mills Corinna Cornish Damaristotta Danforth Deer Isle Dennysville Dexter Dixfield Eagle Lake East Corinth East Dixfield Eagle Lake East Holden East Holden East Lebanon East Lebanon East Lebanon	5 6 2 0 13 0 1 16 29 3 2 8 17 1 2 5 1 1 0 0 9 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	02043100556908664100235502111415630192133428123011101411291343322241111	161 187 357 40 123 672 132 1192 122 222 1964 163 152 40 24 122 269 510 645 111 111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 11	1 1 0 0 1 4 7 2 1 4 1 0 2 2 2 9 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	2306514156 7613311032572530511202217356422434013024171623635545111	17 035 64 010811 0014600310100117003600200000130220510000	00001110000013140000000121100010011311100000310111200000000	3033041033716814275 1112360114131205311012311301008811322232100 151325111231301008811322232100	0003210054760915071002211141335201821223271322700014198123132241111	001000001001000000000000000000000000000	002000002601121000101000000000013000100000100000000	23378241570019694123325122222267746035524224224211269506451111 10019694123325192122220677460355242242212269506451111

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East Millinocket. East Millinocket. Easton Eastport. Eliot. Ellsworth Enfield. Fairfield. Fairfield. Falmouth. Farmington Fort Fairfield. Foxcroft Franklin Freeport Friendship Fryeburg. Garden City, Cuba. Gardiner. Garland. Georgetown Gray. Greene. Greenville. Greenville Junction Guilford. Hallowell. Hampden. Harrington. Harrington. Hartland. Hebron Herman Houlton Island Falls. Isle au Haut Isleboro. Jackman Jay Jefferson. Jonesport Kenduskeag. Kennebunk Kennebunk Kennebunk Kennebunk Kennebunk Kennebunk Kittery Point. Liee Leeds. Lewiston. Limington Lincoln Lincoln Lincolnville Lisbon Falls Litchfield Livermore Machias Madison Mapleton	5 1 0 3 2 2 7 6 3 1 1 1 1 0 6 1 7 5 2 0 8 1 1 1 9 1 1 1 2 7 4 0 8 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	12243068359490260134013363151201421112501214133335110045231611047351202	6327523146624151911215721114712223212219122170131025747124148221232111335086	5001330163001040100210001620402060110211	63119335562311582042193501611115401216247450241362222010313336 1721222101313336	0001312141312022003002121330011301300001030000033020004010002330	0011102050110021019000001220000330000010100011000012902020200100820	51019155208941532022060989320074006200003424110141080091913264066154	121204815839005002013362931202121312334010036211419046353 13900050020133629312012131233401003621141904635312	000100100000010000000000000000000000000	000100000000001000000200000000000000000	632721356632451913103114722233212291221711310257471241482421232336 11472233212291221711310257471241482421235386

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Mars Hill Mechanic Falls Milbridge Millinocket. Milo Monmouth Monroe Monson Monticello Mount Vernon Naples National Home New Gloucester Newport New Portland New Sharon New Sweden New Vineyard Norridgewock North Anson North Berwick North Newcastle North New Portland North Whitefield North Windham Norway Oakfield Oakland Ogunquit Old Orchard Old Town Orland Orono Orr's Island Oxford Passadumkeag Patten Pemaquid Penobscot Phillips Phippsburg Pittsfield Plymouth Portland Pownal Presque Isle Princeton Protor Prospect Harbor Rangeley Readfield Red Beach Richmond Rockland Rockport Rockwood Rumford Sabattus Saco Salem Sanford Sangerville	45636203248220064121420221420571551002144150916121630328111 351002144150916121630328111	1826533613200133105512370001979232080604410100113330336404070118071	53891153937022113951729553921431912163871280818825119152881137861616182 53891153937022113951729553921143191216387128081882551191528811378616182	1 0 2 8 1 0 0 0	51287343936322025416253181042111225702061452318152561151904134182	000060000170000302011110020101101301032020106040002500200702000	01022100000011111013002000014131210020101100000804202020031060000	456302032312220034121141011042856142507011121308120121510272124306261111	172432361320002200421217000056611306050331010031291013440760518071	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	200200000010000011000000010100100201000000	738111539370232395183055392143122173891828282519162881379617001436192 

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Scarboro Searsmont Searsport Sedgwick Sherman Shiloh Sidney Skinner Skowhegan Smyrna Mills Solon South Berwick South Rrewer South China South Portland South Windham Springfield Springvale Standish Steuben Stonington Stratton Strong Sullivan Surry Swan's Island Tenents Harbor Thorndike Topsham Turner Union Unity Van Buren Vinalnaven Waldoboro Washburn Washington Waterford Waterville West Buxton Waterford Waterville West Harpswell West Pownal West Paris West Pembroke West Pownal West Sullivan West Paris West Pembroke West Pownal West Sullivan Woodfords Woodland Woodland Wytopitlock Yarmouth Yarmouthville York Harbor York Village Total for 1914-1915	1 66 1 21 0 2 0 1 14 0 5 2 1 3 2 0 0 1 1 3 9	12421210237211453421016014201721132143251157422001214110162130404320.	221084211540683411472203711821292165246213160213281622941317968431- 14131602132816229413171968431-	00111100124020113732001110111005000011010010111111004100100202100 101011111004100100100100100100000000	229731114366338844020261071112165135242151400203170512531217766331 114366338844020261071112165135242151400203170512531217766331	0000100011020023100011000003000000110000001190000010110200000102000	001101002300011142200000111100200001001010870011010002101001000	10662001224420452010104011900520920140201130411120013822111	123111104421134926101600310152113143250146480002640161411204944220	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	22184211546834114822137111921212165238243166121328162294131796 431 141822137111921212165238243166121328162294131796 431
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# DIPHTHERIA—Jan. 1, 1914, to Dec. 31, 1915. (Inclusive)

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CITY OR TOWN.	Male.	Female.	Total.	+	0.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	+	0.	Total.
Albion. Alfred. Anson. Ashland. Atlantic. Auburn. Augusta. Bangor. Bar Harbor. Bar Mills. Bath. Belfast. Belgrade. Biddeford. Bingham. Blaine. Bluehill. Boothbay Harbor. Bowdoinham. Bradfond. Brewer. Bridgewater. Bridgewater. Bridgewater. Bridgeon. Brooks. Brownfield. Brunswick. Bucksport. Calais. Camden. Caranel. Castine. Charleston. Cherryfield. Clinton. Corinna. Cumberland Mills. Damariscotta. Danforth. Dennysville. Dexter. Cumberland Mills. Damariscotta. Danforth. Dennysville. Dexter. Dixfield. Eagle Lake. East Boothbay. East Machias. East Millinocket. East Parsonsfield. Eagle Lake. East Parsonsfield. East Parsonsfield. East Parsonsfield. East Parsonsfield. East Parsonsfield. East Parsonsfield. Farmington. Fort Fairfield. Fort Kent. Foxcroft. Franklin. Freeport. Friendship. Fryeburg. Gardiner. Gorham.	01 04 01 18 203 4 28 111 4 01 12 15 06 12 12 12 12 13 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16	1064 11524 230140 1402 1402 1402 1202 121112 1202 1233 14423 14423 1513 1753 1611	1116813781121177232122618146231555442212335111111233479622662361 25 49 12177232122618146231555442212335111112333479622662361	000204303080040101100100302000000102120033000030000	116612948 3788 21366222211224181442315544212120211111833347862246237	000102503090020000101020000100000101000010200000000	000102800090010100000000000000000110093100000300001100020044	0 10 30 16 178 25 192 40 00 11 11 13 06 12 82 00 11 11 12 15 10 10 10 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11	10631364220111422222001111202603144237020101213752311332217	000100000000000000000000000000000000000	0000014510020010000000100000000000000000	11681358912177723212261814623155544221333511112233679622662811 233679622662811 3589111112333679622662811

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Gray. Greene. Greenville. Greenville Junction. Guilford. Hallowell. Hampden Highlands. Harmony. Harrison. Hartland. Hebron. Houlton. Jackman Station. Jefferson. Jonesport. Kennebunk Kennebunkport. Kezar Falls. Kingfield. Kittery. Kittery Point. Leeds. Lewiston. Limestone. Lisbon Falls. Litchfield Livermore. Livermore Falls. Lubec. Machias. MacMahan Island. Madison. Mapleton. Mars Hill. Mechanic Falls. Mexico. Millinocket. Millo. Milton Mills, N. H. Monmouth. Monson. Monticello. Mt. Vernon. Naples. Newport. New Sweden. North Anson. North Berwick. North Anson. North Berwick. North Anson. North Windham.	1 9 0 1 0 4 2 2 12 3 1 24 4 2 0 3 1 1 2 1 0 23 0 2 1 6 123 1 6 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	204 112023632811071902172401522701723173063021373315122271320651111170 1512170651111170	3271237123341738117429126512241152861457936263325015369213265122181818181818181818181818181818181818	0 0 0 16 0 0 0 6 0 13 0 0 0 7 2 4 0 0 0 0 4 0 4 0 1 0 0 0 3 0 2 0 1 1 3 1 0 1 1 0 1 3 0 2 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 2 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	3271211238388219234133816426122308427602773525332281436321264122127	0000010003090030100000000010011080120101000002010070100000011	00000100080400428000404010020200120080010100010000000000	1001502015483200140220119000031243024102112102101166152000110	2041170233368165602132614225012305303302363314122271320641111115C	000000001000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	327129123433828181283417381742916241452861589363634301536524265122138 11283417381742916241452861489363634301536524265122138

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Presque Isle. Rangeley. Richmond. Ridlonville Robbinston Rockland Rockport Rumford Sabattus. Saco. Searsport Sedgwick Sherman Sidney. Skinner Skowhegan Smyrna Mills Solon. South Berwick South Paris. South Portland South Windham Springfield Springvale Stetson Stonington Stratton Strong. Swan's Island Tenant's Harbor. Thorndike Topshan: Turner Union. Van Buren Vanceboro. Vinalhaven Waldoboro Washburn. Waterville West Jone sport West Paris West Paris West Paris West Poland West Pownal West Sullivan Woodland Woodland Woodland Woodland Woodland Woodland Woodland Woodland Woodland Vork Village	12 0 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	21 32 21 32 21 32 31 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	33 33 33 31 73 61 13 35 13 34 22 32 32 30 67 34 11 11 11 11 11 12 22 32 32 33 34 34 34 34 34 34 34 34 34 34 34 34	2000000470120210049400010000301010100503400010100111001000000	31 33 33 31 73 61 92 12 22 22 31 20 21 31 31 31 31 31 32 32 32 32 32 32 32 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	200000042002011004440001000020100400040910000100010000000	12 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	19 3 2 2 1 3 2 3 1 6 15 0 1 0 1 13 19 0 2 3 14 3 0 0 0 6 0 0 0 1 9 0 0 1 5 3 1 2 2 16 2 1 6 0 1 0 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	100000001000000100100000100000010020022000000	343331736143134224316731111181111111111228122782226219314221321114165342
Total for the two	1 ,256	,615	2 ,871	386	2.485	164	. 222	1 ,032	1.393	17	89	97.7

# TYPHOID FEVER—Jan- 1, 1914, to Dec. 31, 1915. (Inclusive)

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CITY OR TOWN.	Male.	Female.	Total.	÷	0.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	÷	0.	Total.
Albion. Alfred. Anson Appleton. Atlantic Auburn. Augusta Bangor Bar Harbor Bath Belfast Biddeford. Bingham Boothbay Harbor Bowdoinham Brewer Bridgcwater Bridgton. Bryant's Pond. Buckfield Bucksport. Calais. Camden. Caribou. Carmel. Cherryfield. Clinton. Cornish. Cumberland Mills. Damariscotta. Danforth. Dennysville. Dexter. Dixfield. Eagle Lake. East Hiram. East Millinocket. Eastport. Ellsworth. Enfield. Framington. Five Islands. Fort Fairfield. Frarklin. Freeport. Fryeburg. Gardiner. Garland. Georgetown Center. Gorham. Greenville. Guilford. Hallowell. Hampden. Harrison. Hebron. Houkton. Jefferson. Jonesport. Kennebunk. Kennebunk.	810011103101525145002111631031311 115251415002111631031311	1 1 2 1 1 4 3 2 6 6 6 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 4 5 0 2 6 1 1 2 0 1 1 1 0 0 1 0 3 1 0 1 0 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	0.88428120212205742163101111112321351128326112219411246416241512 15128326112219411246416241512	008210000110	111111855664871311210464281911111122437172461122163115032124	1 0 0 1 0 0 1 0	101011432352104000001000201000001003220013000000110003000011111000	100015822331270710210114040810011102141314195002111421091003039112	01111038348116016010003502411101100101024031511111010210162312003012	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000700110001010200000000000011100200000000	21213129896318112222215942630111111232323661122194116255124 17963181222221594263011111123236611221941168416255124

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Lewiston Limerick Limington Lincoln Lincolnville Center Lisbon Falls Litehfield Livermore Falls Lubee Machias Madison Mapleton Mars Hill Mecharic Falls Milbridge Milo Monson Monticello Morrill National Home Newport Norridgewock North Berwick Northeast Harbor North Windham North Whitefield Oskland Ogunquit Old Orchard Old Town Orono Oxford Palmyra Patten Pemsquid Phippsburgh Plymouth Portland Presque Isle Princeton Rangeley Readfield Red Beach Richmond Rockland Rockport Rumford Sabattus Saco Seal Harbor Searsport Sherman Sidney Skinner Skowhegan Smyrna Mills Solon South Berwick South Eliot	1115211114208541182201013864010073603140122	13211020303500150210002010108520141010100651500116030203100201235	233141316052 11312430612 1131243016 12232111113315 11551013390517112411335	5000010102400110001003410005100001014222200030204040011000012	1831412150381116134010212330165127221101203310123701131113211323	2000010120000002201000100230004000000101200000010302001000000	300000012001000000100000111001100010041020003010102000100012	81031012015111111301011113206241114220101285201007350012011210100	10211020302300050210001010741013001000024130013020101100101223	400000000000000000000000000000000000000	C00000012000000000000012200000000000000	33141316172112613621131233182612232111113615711123391517112411335

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CITY OR TOWN.	Мв.е.	Female.	Total.	÷	0.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	÷	<u>*</u> 0.	Total.
South Paris South Portland Southwest Harbor South Windnam Stonington Stratton Strong Sullivan Surry Swan's Island Turner Union Unity Van Buren Vinalhaven Waldoboro Warren Washburn Waterford Waterville Wayne West Enfield West Paris West Pownal West Sumner Wilton Windham Winter Harbor Winthrop Wiscasset Woodland Woolwich Wytopitlock Yarmouthville York Harbor York Village  Total for two years	16 12 30 11 10 31 11 21 44 11 10 48 64 22 14 11 00 11 10 10 11 10 11 11 11 11 11 11	0 4 3 1 1 1 0 0 0 2 2 0 0 1 0 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1	10434111231166211806821142111412661144012 984	0 3 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 0	1743310113003166211169571113201121255042812 758	0	0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	5 3 1 1 0 0 6 0 2 4 2 0 3 16 4	04 31 11 00 10 00 10 10 10 10 10 11 12 8	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000020200300000000000000000000000000000	104343132341316671186682142111412661444 15
Total for two years	301	300	931	~££U		121	100		920		90	- · •

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

The following statements show the amount of money which was spent from the appropriations for running expenses of the State Board of Health for each of the years included in the periods 1914-1915, so arranged as to indicate the sums spent for various purposes:

1914.			
Advertising	\$17 63		
Exhibits and other Educative Work	1,030 63		
Stationery	201 61		
Books and Sanitary Journals	<b>2</b> 91 99		
Postage	461 31		
Express, Telegraph and Telephone	172 70		
Secretary's Salary	2,500 00		
Expenses of Secretary	281 18		
Expenses of Members	<b>37</b> 94		
Clerical Help	1,281 73		
Engraving, Drawing and Photography	50 44		
Help other than Clerical	252 28		
Vaccine, Antitoxin, Disinfectants, etc.	5 80		
Office Furnishings	204 84		
Miscellaneous	47 76	460	•
_		\$6,837	84
1915.			
Advertising	\$13 68		
Exhibits and other Educative Work	824 31		
Stationery	<i>37</i> ∞		
Books and Sanitary Journals	119 82		
Postage	213 14		
Express, Telegraph and Telephone	163 33		
Secretary's Salary	2,500 00		
Expenses of Secretary	183 81		
Expenses of Members	83 05		

Expenses of Clerks and other Em-		
ployees	6 65	
Clerical Help	1,236 54	
Engraving, Drawing and Photography	36 98	
Help other than Clerical	36 17	
Office Furnishings	37 65	
Miscellaneous	22 00	
		\$5,514 13

#### EPIDEMIC FUND.

For each of the two years 1914-1915, there has been an epidemic or emergency fund at the disposal of the State Board of Health to be used with the consent of the Governor and Council in case of the invasion or threatened invasion of smallpox or other dangerous epidemic diseases into the State. The following shows the amount of this fund which has been used in each of these years:

1914	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	\$211	03
1915		0	00

#### STATE LABORATORY OF HYGIENE.

1914.	
Stationery	\$42 25
Books and Sanitary Journals	6 <b>oo</b>
Postage	<b>244</b> 54
Express, Telegraph and Telephone	<b>22</b> 6 64
Salaries	3,425 00
Traveling and other Expenses of Direc-	
tor	86 4 <b>0</b>
Chemical and Bacteriological Supplies	<i>2</i> 76 50
Instruments and Apparatus	348 67
Insurance	36 94
Heating and Lighting	264 13
Rent	336 oo
Water	40 00
Ice	28 60
Furnishings and Repairs	108 25

\$5,469 92

1915.		
Stationery	\$26 1	0
Books and Sanitary Journals	38 4	5
Postage	77 9	6
Express, Telegraph and Telephone	256 4	6
Salaries	3,826 6	7
Chemical and Bacteriological Supplies	147 7	5
Instruments and Apparatus	240 4	I
Insurance	28 3	o
Heating and Lighting	329 O	8
Rent	588 o	o
Water	40 O	0
Ice	19 8	o
Furnishings and Repairs	434 2	6
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#### PRINTING AND BINDING.

For the miscellaneous printing and binding for the State Board of Health, and the State Laboratory of Hygiene, and for the reports of the State Board of Health, and that on the births, marriages, divorces and deaths in the State of Maine, the following expenditures were made:

1914	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	\$2,129	54
1915		1,852	65

# REPORT OF THE STATE BOARD OF EMBALMING EXAMINERS.

Complying with the requirements of Chapter 181, Section 7, the following report for the years 1914-1915 is made to the State Board of Health:

A. G. Young, secretary of the State Board of Health, is ex-officio a member and secretary and treasurer of the board. The other members for the years 1914 and 1915 were: J. Clark Flagg, Richmond, Chairman; Richard H. Stubbs, M. D., Augusta, and H. W. Rich, Portland.